U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Public and Indian Housing

# **PHA Plans**

5 Year Plan for Fiscal Years 2000 - 2004 Annual Plan for Fiscal Year 2000

NOTE: THIS PHA PLANS TEMPLATE (HUD 50075) IS TO BE COMPLETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS LOCATED IN APPLICABLE PIH NOTICES

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# PHA Plan Agency Identification

PHA Name:	The Housing Authority of The City of Chickasaw
PHA Numbe	er:AL166
PHA Fiscal	Year Beginning: (mm/yyyy) <u>07/2000</u>
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# 5-YEAR PLAN **PHA FISCAL YEARS 2000 - 2004**

[24 CFR Part 903.5]

<b>A.</b> M	<u> Iission</u>	
	e PHA's mission for serving the needs of low-income, very low income, and extremely low-income in the PHA's inviscing in the phase the safety of the Department of Housing and Urban	
	Development: To promote adequate and affordable housing, economic opportunity and a suitable living environment free from discrimination.	
	The PHA's mission is: Our goal is to provide drug free, decent, safe, and sanitary housing ble families and to provide opportunities and promote self-sufficiency and economic idence for residents. In order to achieve this mission we will:  1. Recognize residents as our ultimate customer; 2. Improve Public Housing Authority (HA) management and service delivery 3. Seek problem-solving partnerships with residents, community, and government 4. Apply HA resources to the effective and efficient management and operation of	efforts through leader public
<b>B. G</b>	oals	
	als and objectives listed below are derived from HUD's strategic Goals and Objectives and those	
PHAS A	Strategic Goal: Increase the availability of decent sale and objectives as their owing other goals and/or objectives. Whether selecting the HUD-suggested objectives or their own, ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO IDENTIFY QUANTIFIABLE MEASURES OF SUCCESS IN IRHATICAL: OBSPUTIVES SUPPLY THE SCOURAGED TO FINE 5 YEARS. (Quantifiable measures in Objectives: such as: numbers of families served or PHAS scores achieved.) PHAs should identify	
	Apply for additional rental vouchers:	
	X Reduce public housing vacancies: By five percent	
	Leverage private or other public funds to create additional housing	
	opportunities:	
	Acquire or build units or developments	
	X Other (list below) To continue serving the local community	
X	PHA Goal: Improve the quality of assisted housing	
	Objectives:	
	X Maintain public housing management: Maintain PHAS score at 90 or above	
	Improve voucher management: (SEMAP score)	
	X Increase customer satisfaction: by providing more programming as funds are	available
	Concentrate on efforts to improve specific management functions:	
	(list; e.g., public housing finance; voucher unit inspections)	
	X Renovate or modernize public housing units: by remodeling and installing central air conditioning in all units	

Demolish or dispose of obsolete public housing:

Provide replacement public housing:

	Provide replacement vouchers:
	Other: To continue to maintain property and upgrade facilities for betterment of residents
X	PHA Goal: Increase assisted housing choices  Objectives:  Provide voucher mobility counseling:  Conduct outreach efforts to potential voucher landlords  Increase voucher payment standards  Implement voucher home ownership program:  Implement public housing or other home ownership programs:  Implement public housing site-based waiting lists:  Convert public housing to vouchers:  X Other: Continue deconcentration efforts where analysis indicates need
HUD	Strategic Goal: Improve community quality of life and economic vitality
X	PHA Goal: Provide an improved living environment Objectives:  X Implement measures to deconcentrate poverty by bringing higher income public housing households into lower income developments.  X Implement measures to promote income mixing in public housing by assuring access for lower income families into higher income developments.  X Implement public housing security improvements: by continuing to administer the PHDEP/anti-crime programs  Designate developments or buildings for particular resident groups (elderly, persons with disabilities)  Other: (list below)
HUD individ	Strategic Goal: Promote self-sufficiency and asset development of families and luals
X	PHA Goal: Promote self-sufficiency and asset development of assisted  Objectives:  X Increase the number and percentage of employed persons in assisted families: through the implementation of local preferences Provide or attract supportive services to improve assistance recipients' employability:

	<u>X</u>	Provide or attract supportive services to increase independence for the elderly or families with disabilities: by attempting to work more efficiently with social service agencies who provide services  Other: (list below)	
HUD S	Strategie	c Goal: Ensure Equal Opportunity in Housing for all Americans	
X		oal: Ensure equal opportunity and affirmatively further fair housing	
	Objecti		
	<u>X</u>	Undertake affirmative measures to ensure access to assisted housing regardless	
	of race,	color, religion national origin, sex, familial status, and disability:	
	X	Undertake affirmative measures to provide a suitable living environment for	families living in
	X	Undertake affirmative measures to ensure accessible housing to persons with all	
	varietie	s of disabilities regardless of unit size required:	
	<u>X</u>	Other: To prohibit discrimination in any manner whatsoever	

#### Other PHA Goals and Objectives: (list below)

In order to combat a vacancy problem that has been ongoing for the past two years, the Chickasaw Housing Authority will initiate multiple approaches to eliminate the obstacle. The condition of the units will be improved through our modernization efforts, which will allow us to better compete with the private market. Limited advertising will be done to make the community aware of housing availability. New techniques will be utilized to speed up the application process and the maintenance turnaround of units. Security measures will be implemented that will assure residents/applicants that they are/will be living in a decent, safe, and sanitary environment.

# Annual PHA Plan PHA Fiscal Year 2000

[24 CFR Part 903.7]

# **Annual Plan Type:**

Select which t	pe of Annual Plan the PHA will submit.
X Stan	dard Plan
Streamlined	Plan:
	High Performing PHA Small Agency (<250 Public Housing Units) Administering Section 8 Only
Tro	ibled Agency Plan

#### **Executive Summary of the Annual PHA Plan**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (r)]

Provide a brief overview of the information in the Annual Plan, including highlights of major initiatives and discretionary policies the PHA has included in the Annual Plan.

This Plan was developed per HUD rules and regulations in order to provide decent, safe, and affordable housing for residents of our community.

### **Annual Plan Table of Contents**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (r)]

Provide a table of contents for the Annual Plan, including attachments, and a list of supporting documents available for public inspection.

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#### **Supporting Documents Available for Review**

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Display" column in the appropriate rows. All listed documents must be on display if applicable to the program activities and useful the Locuments. Available for Keview		
Applicable & On Display	Supporting Document	Applicable Plan Component
X	PHA Plan Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related Regulations	5 Year and Annual Plans
X	State/Local Government Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan	5 Year and Annual Plans

Applicable & On Display	Supporting Document	Applicable Plan Component
X	Fair Housing Documentation: Records reflecting that the PHA has examined its programs or proposed programs, identified any impediments to fair housing choice in those programs, addressed or is addressing those impediments in a reasonable fashion in view of the resources available, and worked or is working with local jurisdictions to implement any of the jurisdictions' initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing that require the PHA's involvement.	5 Year and Annual Plans
X	Consolidated Plan for the jurisdiction/s in which the PHA is located (which includes the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI))) and any additional backup data to support statement of housing needs in the jurisdiction	Annual Plan: Housing Needs
X	Most recent board-approved operating budget for the public housing program	Annual Plan: Financial Resources;
X	Public Housing Admissions and (Continued) Occupancy Policy (A&O), which includes the Tenant Selection and Assignment Plan [TSAP]	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies
	Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies
X	Public Housing Deconcentration and Income Mixing Documentation: PHA board certifications of compliance with deconcentration requirements (section 16(a) of the US Housing Act of 1937, as implemented in the 2/18/99 Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act Initial Guidance; Nantany further HUD guidance) and 18. Documentation of the required deconcentration and income mixing analysis	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies
X	Public housing rent determination policies, including the methodology for setting public housing flat rents  X check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy	Annual Plan: Rent Determination
X	Schedule of flat rents offered at each public housing development  X check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy	Annual Plan: Rent Determination
	Section 8 rent determination (payment standard) policies check here if included in Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Rent Determination
X	Public housing management and maintenance policy documents, including policies for the prevention or	Annual Plan: Operations and Maintenance

Applicable & On Display	Supporting Document	Applicable Plan Component
On Display		
	eradication of pest infestation (including cockroach infestation)	
X	Public housing grievance procedures  X check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy	Annual Plan: Grievance Procedures
	Section 8 informal review and hearing procedures check here if included in Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Grievance Procedures
X	The HUD-approved Capital Fund/Comprehensive Grant Program Annual Statement (HUD 52837) for the active grant year	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
	Most recent CIAP Budget/Progress Report (HUD 52825) for any active CIAP grant	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
X	Most recent, approved 5 Year Action Plan for the Capital Fund/Comprehensive Grant Program, if not included as an attachment (provided at PHA option)	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
	Approved HOPE VI applications or, if more recent, approved or submitted HOPE VI Revitalization Plans or any other approved proposal for development of public housing	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
	Approved or submitted applications for demolition and/or disposition of public housing	Annual Plan: Demolition and Disposition
	Approved or submitted applications for designation of public housing (Designated Housing Plans)	Annual Plan: Designation of Public Housing
	Approved or submitted assessments of reasonable revitalization of public housing and approved or submitted conversion plans prepared pursuant to section 202 of the 1996 HUD Appropriations Act	Annual Plan: Conversion of Public Housing
	Approved or submitted public housing homeownership programs/plans	Annual Plan: Homeownership
	Policies governing any Section 8 Homeownership program check here if included in the Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Homeownership
X	Any cooperative agreement between the PHA and the TANF agency	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency
	FSS Action Plan/s for public housing and/or Section 8	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency
	Most recent self-sufficiency (ED/SS, TOP or ROSS or other resident services grant) grant program reports	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency
X	The most recent Public Housing Drug Elimination Program (PHEDEP) semi-annual performance report for any open grant and most recently submitted PHDEP application (PHDEP Plan)	Annual Plan: Safety and Crime Prevention
X	The most recent fiscal year audit of the PHA conducted under section 5(h)(2) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U. S.C. 1437c(h)), the results of that audit and the PHA's	Annual Plan: Annual Audit

Applicable & On Display	Supporting Document	Applicable Plan Component
	response to any findings	
	Troubled PHAs: MOA/Recovery Plan	Troubled PHAs
	Other supporting documents (optional) (list individually; use as many lines as necessary)	(specify as needed)

## 1. Statement of Housing Needs

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (a)]

#### A. Housing Needs of Families in the Jurisdiction/s Served by the PHA

Based upon the							
other data avail completing the families that hav	able to the <b>Housing</b> collowing tab	PHA prove Pheeds of the In the O	ide a statem Families verall" Nee Family Ty	nent of the in the Juri ds column, p	housing need is diction browide the ease rate the i	eds in the justimated numbers of the	urisdiction be nber of rent
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Income <= 30% of AMI	336	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Income >30% but <=50% of AMI	723	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Income >50% but <80% of AMI	1,192	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Elderly	1,779	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Families with Disabilities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Race/Ethnicity	1/1@ 1,366	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Race/Ethnicity	2/2@6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Race/Ethnicity	3/3@ 22	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Race/Ethnicity	4/4@7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

What sources of information did the PHA use to conduct this analysis? (Check all that apply; all materials must be made available for public inspection.)

Cons	solidated Plan of the Jurisdic	etion/s				
	Indicate year:					
<u>X</u> U.S.	Census data: the Comprehe	nsive Housing Affordab	ility Strategy ("CHAS")			
datas	set					
Ame	American Housing Survey data					
	Indicate year:					
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	Indicate year:					
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	# of families	% of total families	Annual Turnover			
Waiting list total	**53 +15 Inc. = 68		97 (2 year average)			
Extremely low	28	52.8				
income <=30% A						
Very low income	15	28.3				
(>30% but <=50%						
AMI)						
Low income (>50% but <80%	10	18.9				
AMI)	26	52.0				
Families with child		52.9				
Elderly families	9	13.2				
Families with	11	16.2				

33.3

66.7

2/2 @ 19 families

1/1 @ 38 families

Disabilities Race/ethnicity

Race/ethnicity

Race/ethnicity			
Race/ethnicity			
Characteristics by			
Bedroom Size (Public			
Housing Only)			
1BR	17	32.1	
2 BR	20	37.7	
3 BR	11	20.8	
4 BR	5	9.4	
5 BR			
5+ BR			
Is the waiting list close	ed (select one)? X No	Yes	
If yes:			
How long has i	it been closed (# of mon	ths)?	
Does the PHA expect to reopen the list in the PHA Plan year? No Yes			
Does the PHA permit specific categories of families onto the waiting list, even if generally closed? No Yes			
generally co	useu! no l'es		

<sup>\*\*</sup>Note that 15 applications are incomplete, preventing income classification

## C. Strategy for Addressing Needs

Provide a brief description of the PHA's strategy for addressing the housing needs of families in the jurisdiction and on the waiting list IN THE UPCOMING YEAR, and the Agency's reasons for choosing

Need: Shortage of affordable housing for all eligible populations

# Strategy 1. Maximize the number of affordable units available to the PHA within its current resources by:

Select a	ll that apply
<u>X</u>	Employ effective maintenance and management policies to minimize the number of
	public housing units off-line
<u>X</u>	Reduce turnover time for vacated public housing units
X	Reduce time to renovate public housing units
	Seek replacement of public housing units lost to the inventory through mixed finance
	development
	Seek replacement of public housing units lost to the inventory through section 8
	replacement housing resources
	Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by establishing payment standards that
	will enable families to rent throughout the jurisdiction
	Undertake measures to ensure access to affordable housing among families assisted

X	by the PHA, regardless of unit size required  Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by marketing the program to owners, particularly those outside of areas of minority and poverty concentration  Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by effectively screening Section 8  applicants to increase owner acceptance of program  Participate in the Consolidated Plan development process to ensure coordination with broader community strategies: if requested by the appropriate agency.  Other (list below)
Strates	gy 2: Increase the number of affordable housing units by:
	Il that apply
	Apply for additional section 8 units should they become available
	Leverage affordable housing resources in the community through the creation of
mixed -	- finance housing
	Pursue housing resources other than public housing or Section 8 tenant-based
	assistance.
	Other: (list below)
Strate	Specific Family Types: Families at or below 30% of median  gy 1: Target available assistance to families at or below 30% of AMI  that apply  Exceed HUD federal targeting requirements for families at or below 30% of AMI in public housing  Exceed HUD federal targeting requirements for families at or below 30% of AMI in
	tenant-based section 8 assistance
	Employ admissions preferences aimed at families with economic hardships  Adopt rent policies to support and encourage work: by continuing our local
Λ_	preferences requirements
<u>X</u>	Other: (list below) Follow rules and regulations issued by HUD and do the best possible with the budget constraints to which we are subject.
Need:	Specific Family Types: Families at or below 50% of median
Strate	gy 1: Target available assistance to families at or below 50% of AMI
Select al	ll that apply
X	Employ admissions preferences aimed at families who are working
X	Adopt rent policies to support and encourage work: and continue current policies and
lease re	quirements.
	Other: (list below) Follow rules and regulations issued by HUD and do the best

Need:	Specific Family Types: The Elderly
	gy 1: Target available assistance to the elderly:
Select a	ll that apply
	Seek designation of public housing for the elderly
	Apply for special-purpose vouchers targeted to the elderly, should they become
	available
	Other: (list below)
Need:	Specific Family Types: Families with Disabilities
	gy 1: Target available assistance to Families with Disabilities:
Select a	ll that apply
	Seek designation of public housing for families with disabilities
	Carry out the modifications needed in public housing based on the section 504
	Needs Assessment for Public Housing
	Apply for special-purpose vouchers targeted to families with disabilities, should they
	become available
	Affirmatively market to local non-profit agencies that assist families with disabilities
	Other: (list below)
Need: needs	Specific Family Types: Races or ethnicities with disproportionate housing
Strate	gy 1: Increase awareness of PHA resources among families of races and ethnicities with disproportionate needs:
Select if	applicable
X	Affirmatively market to races/ethnicities shown to have disproportionate
	housing needs
	Other: (list below)
Strate	gy 2: Conduct activities to affirmatively further fair housing
Select a	ll that apply
	Counsel section 8 tenants as to location of units outside of areas of poverty or
	minority concentration and assist them to locate those units
	Market the section 8 program to owners outside of areas of poverty /minority
	concentrations
	Other: (list below)

#### Other Housing Needs & Strategies: (list needs and strategies below)

#### (2) Reasons for Selecting Strategies

Of the factors listed below, select all that influenced the PHA's selection of the strategies it will pursue:

X	Funding constraints
X	Staffing constraints
X	Limited availability of sites for assisted housing
	Extent to which particular housing needs are met by other organizations in the
	community
	Evidence of housing needs as demonstrated in the Consolidated Plan and other
	information available to the PHA
	Influence of the housing market on PHA programs
	Community priorities regarding housing assistance
	Results of consultation with local or state government
X	Results of consultation with residents and the Resident Advisory Board
	Results of consultation with advocacy groups
	Other: (list below)

#### **Statement of Financial Resources**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (b)]

List the financial resources that are anticipated to be available to the PHA for the support of Federal public housing and tenant-based Section 8 assistance programs administered by the PHA during the Plan year. Note: the table assumes that Federal public housing or tenant based Section 8 assistance grant funds are expended on eligible buryous free love. Uses of these funds need not be stated. For Sour etter funds, indicate the use for those funds aplanned the following categories to the second s operations, public housing capital improvements, public housing

1. Federal Grants (FY 2000 grants) safety/security, public housing a) Public Housing Operating Fund 404,715 b) Public Housing Capital Fund 424,538 c) HOPE VI Revitalization d) HOPE VI Demolition e) Annual Contributions for Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance f) Public Housing Drug Elimination 63,360 Program (including any Technical Assistance funds) Resident Opportunity and Self-**Sufficiency Grants** h) Community Development Block

Sources	Planned \$	Planned Uses
Grant		
i) HOME		
Other Federal Grants (list below)		
2. Prior Year Federal Grants		
(unobligated funds only) (list below)		
3. Public Housing Dwelling Rental	385,118	Public Housing
Income		Operations
4. Other income (list below)		
4. Non-federal sources (list below)		
Total resources	1,277,731	
3. PHA Policies Governing [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (c)]  A. Public Housing	Eligibility, Selection	on, and Admissions
Exemptions: PHAs that do not admini	ster public housing are not	required to complete subcompor
<ul> <li>a. When does the PHA verify eligib</li> <li>When families are within a</li> <li>X</li> <li>When families are within a</li> </ul>	certain number of being	offered a unit: (state number)

for eligibility within 45 days of being offered a unit.

Other: (describe)

Applicants are generally screened (income, criminal history, credit, & previous landlord)

	ich non-income (screening) factors does the PHA use to establish eligibility for
	nission to public housing (select all that apply)?
<u>X</u>	Criminal or Drug-related activity
X	Rental history
X	Housekeeping: through previous landlord verification
X	Other (describe) Any other criteria set by HUD
c. <u>X</u>	Yes No: Does the PHA request criminal records from local law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?
d. <u>X</u>	_YesNo: Does the PHA request criminal records from State law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?
e. <u>X</u>	_Yes No: Does the PHA access FBI criminal records from the FBI for screening purposes? (either directly or through an NCIC-authorized source)
(2)Wa	niting List Organization
a. Whi	ch methods does the PHA plan to use to organize its public housing waiting list (select
all that	apply)
X	Community-wide list
	Sub-jurisdictional lists
	Site-based waiting lists
	Other (describe)
b. Wh	nere may interested persons apply for admission to public housing?
X	PHA main administrative office
	PHA development site management office
	Other (list below)
	ne PHA plans to operate one or more site-based waiting lists in the coming year, wer each of the following questions; if not, skip to subsection (3) Assignment
1. F	How many site-based waiting lists will the PHA operate in the coming year?
2	YesNo: Are any or all of the PHA's site-based waiting lists new for the upcoming year (that is, they are not part of a previously-HUD-approved site based waiting list plan)?  If yes, how many lists?
3	Yes No: May families be on more than one list simultaneously

# If yes, how many lists?

<ul> <li>4. Where can interested persons obtain more information about and sign up to be on the site-based waiting lists (select all that apply)?</li> <li>PHA main administrative office</li> <li>All PHA development management offices</li> <li>Management offices at developments with site-based waiting lists</li> <li>At the development to which they would like to apply</li> <li>Other (list below)</li> </ul>
(3) Assignment
a. How many vacant unit choices are applicants ordinarily given before they fall to the bottom of or are removed from the waiting list? (select one)
b. X Yes No: Is this policy consistent across all waiting list types?
c. If answer to b is no, list variations for any other than the primary public housing waiting list/s for the PHA:
(4) Admissions Preferences
a. Income targeting: Yes _XNo: Does the PHA plan to exceed the federal targeting requirements by targeting more than 40% of all new admissions to public housing to families at or below 30% of median area income?
b. Transfer policies:  In what circumstances will transfers take precedence over new admissions? (list below)  X Emergencies  Overhoused  X Underhoused  X Medical justification  X Administrative reasons determined by the PHA (e.g., to permit modernization work)  Resident choice: (state circumstances below)  Other: (list below)

a.	Preferences
1.	X Yes No: Has the PHA established preferences for admission to public
	housing (other than date and time of application)? (If "no" is selected,
ski	p to subsection (5) Occupancy)
2.	Which of the following admission preferences does the PHA plan to employ in the
	coming year? (select all that apply from either former Federal preferences or other
	preferences)
Fo	rmer Federal preferences:
	Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing
	Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)
	Victims of domestic violence
	Substandard housing
	Homelessness
	High rent burden (rent is $> 50$ percent of income)
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	her preferences: (select below)
<u>X</u>	Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability:
	Working families must have atleast 6 months of stable work history.
	Veterans and veterans' families
	Residents who live and/or work in the jurisdiction
	Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
	Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)
	Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)
	Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility
	programs
	Victims of reprisals or hate crimes
<u>X</u>	
bee	on working for six consecutive months.
3. ]	If the PHA will employ admissions preferences, please prioritize by placing a "1" in the
	ace that represents your first priority, a "2" in the box representing your second priority,
-	d so on. If you give equal weight to one or more of these choices (either through an
	solute hierarchy or through a point system), place the same number next to each. That
	ans you can use "1" more than once, "2" more than once, etc.
5	Date and Time
For	rmer Federal preferences:
10	Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing

Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)
Victims of domestic violence
Substandard housing
Homelessness
High rent burden
Other preferences (select all that apply)
2 Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability
<ul><li>Veterans and veterans' families</li><li>Residents who live and/or work in the jurisdiction</li></ul>
Residents who live and/or work in the jurisdiction
Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)
Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)
Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility
programs
Victims of reprisals or hate crimes
Other preference(s) (list below) Families with gross incomes of \$8,000 per year who have
been working for six consecutive months.
<ul> <li>4. Relationship of preferences to income targeting requirements:</li> <li>The PHA applies preferences within income tiers</li> <li>Not applicable: the pool of applicant families ensures that the PHA will meet income targeting requirements</li> </ul>
(5) Occupancy
a. What reference materials can applicants and residents use to obtain information about the
rules of occupancy of public housing (select all that apply)
X The PHA-resident lease
X The PHA's Admissions and (Continued) Occupancy policy
X PHA briefing seminars or written materials
Other source (list)
b. How often must residents notify the PHA of changes in family composition? (select all
that apply)
At an annual reexamination and lease renewal
Any time family composition changes
At family request for revision
X Other (list) Within 10 days of change

# (6) Deconcentration and Income Mixing

a	Yes X No: Did the PHA's analysis of its family (general occupancy) developments to determine concentrations of poverty indicate the
need	for measures to promote deconcentration of poverty or income mixing?
b	Yes X No: Did the PHA adopt any changes to its <b>admissions policies</b> based on the results of the required analysis of the need to promote deconcentration of poverty or to assure income mixing?
c. If	the answer to b was yes, what changes were adopted? (select all that apply)  Adoption of site-based waiting lists  If selected, list targeted developments below:
	Employing waiting list "skipping" to achieve deconcentration of poverty or income mixing goals at targeted developments
	If selected, list targeted developments below:  Employing new admission preferences at targeted developments  If selected, list targeted developments below:  Other (list policies and developments targeted below)
d	Yes X No: Did the PHA adopt any changes to <b>other</b> policies based on the results of the required analysis of the need for deconcentration of poverty and income mixing?
e. If	the answer to d was yes, how would you describe these changes? (select all that apply)
	Adoption or adjustment of ceiling rents for certain developments
m	ased on the results of the required analysis, in which developments will the PHA nake special efforts to attract or retain higher-income families? (select all that oply)  Not applicable: results of analysis did not indicate a need for such efforts
X	Not applicable: results of analysis did not indicate a need for such efforts List (any applicable) developments below: All Developments
_	ased on the results of the required analysis, in which developments will the PHA make special efforts to assure access for lower-income families? (select all that

apply)	
X Not applicable: results of analysis did not indicate a need for such efforts	
List (any applicable) developments below:	
D. Castian 9	
<b>B. Section 8</b> Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer section 8 are not required to complete sub-component 3B.	
Unless: otherwise specified, all questions in this section apply only to the tenant-based section assistance program (vouchers, and until completely merged into the voucher program, certificates).	8
a. What is the extent of screening conducted by the PHA? (select all that apply)	
Criminal or drug-related activity only to the extent required by law or regulation	
Criminal and drug-related activity, more extensively than required by law or	
regulation	
More general screening than criminal and drug-related activity (list factors below)	
Other (list below)	
b Yes No: Does the PHA request criminal	
records from local law enforcement agencies for	
screening purposes?	
cYes No: Does the PHA request criminal records from State law	
enforcement agencies for screening purposes?	
omoreoment agencies for servering purposes.	
dYes No: Does the PHA access FBI criminal records from the FBI for	
screening purposes? (either directly or through an NCIC-authoriz	ed
source)	
e. Indicate what kinds of information you share with prospective landlords? (select all that	
apply)  Criminal or drug related activity	
Criminal or drug-related activity Other (describe below)	
Other (describe below)	
(2) Waiting List Organization	
a. With which of the following program waiting lists is the section 8 tenant-based assistance	e
waiting list merged? (select all that apply)	
None	
Federal public housing	
Federal moderate rehabilitation	
Federal project-based certificate program	
Other federal or local program (list below)	

b. Where may interested persons apply for admission to section 8 tenant-based assistance?
(select all that apply)
PHA main administrative office
Other (list below)
(3) Search Time
aYes No: Does the PHA give extensions on standard 60-day period to search for a unit?
If yes, state circumstances below:
(4) Admissions Preferences
a. Income targeting
Yes No: Does the PHA plan to exceed the federal targeting requirements by targeting more than 75% of all new admissions to the section 8 program to families at or below 30% of median area income?
o. Preferences  1Yes No: Has the PHA established preferences for admission to section 8 tenant-based assistance? (other than date and time of application) (if no, skip to subcomponent (5) Special purpose section 8 assistance programs)
2. Which of the following admission preferences does the PHA plan to employ in the coming year? (select all that apply from either former Federal preferences or other preferences)
Former Federal preferences Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition) Victims of domestic violence Substandard housing Homelessness High rent burden (rent is > 50 percent of income)
Other preferences (select all that apply)  Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability  Veterans and veterans' families  Residents who live and/or work in your jurisdiction

Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs  Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)  Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)  Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs  Victims of reprisals or hate crimes  Other preference(s) (list below)
3. If the PHA will employ admissions preferences, please prioritize by placing a "1" in the space that represents your first priority, a "2" in the box representing your second priority, and so on. If you give equal weight to one or more of these choices (either through an absolute hierarchy or through a point system), place the same number next to each. That means you can use "1" more than once, "2" more than once, etc.
Date and Time
Former Federal preferences  Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)  Victims of domestic violence  Substandard housing  Homelessness  High rent burden
Other preferences (select all that apply)  Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability  Veterans and veterans' families  Residents who live and/or work in your jurisdiction  Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs  Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)  Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)  Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility  programs  Victims of reprisals or hate crimes  Other preference(s) (list below)
<ul><li>4. Among applicants on the waiting list with equal preference status, how are applicants selected? (select one)</li><li> Date and time of application</li></ul>
Drawing (lottery) or other random choice technique
5. If the PHA plans to employ preferences for "residents who live and/or work in the

jurisdiction" (select one)
This preference has previously been reviewed and approved by HUD
The PHA requests approval for this preference through this PHA Plan
6. Relationship of preferences to income targeting requirements: (select one)
The PHA applies preferences within income tiers
Not applicable: the pool of applicant families ensures that the PHA will meet income
targeting requirements
(5) Special Purpose Section 8 Assistance Programs
a. In which documents or other reference materials are the policies governing eligibility,
selection, and admissions to any special-purpose section 8 program administered by the
PHA contained? (select all that apply)
The Section 8 Administrative Plan
Briefing sessions and written materials  Other (list below)
Other (list below)
a. How does the PHA announce the availability of any special-purpose section 8 programs
to the public?
Through published notices
Other (list below)
4. PHA Rent Determination Policies
[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (d)]
See ACOP (File AL166A01.DOC)
A. Public Housing
Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer public housing are not required to complete sub-component
(A) Income Based Rent Policies
Describe the PHA's income based rent setting policy/ies for public housing using, including discretionary (that is, not required by statute or regulation) income discretionary (that is, not required by statute or regulation) income discretionary.
discretionary (that is, not required by statute or regulation) income disregards and exclusions, in the appropriate spaces below.
The PHA will not employ any discretionary rent-setting policies for income based
rent in public housing. Income-based rents are set at the higher of 30% of adjusted
monthly income, 10% of unadjusted monthly income, the welfare rent, or minimum
rent (less HUD mandatory deductions and exclusions). (If selected, skip to sub-
component (2))

or	
X The PHA employs discretionary policies for determining selected, continue to question b.)	income based rent (If
b. Minimum Rent	
1. What amount best reflects the PHA's minimum rent? (select or \$0 \$1-\$25X \$26-\$50	ne)
2. X Yes No: Has the PHA adopted any discretionary mi exemption policies?	nimum rent hardship
3. If yes to question 2, list these policies below: See ACOP (File Al	L166A01.DOC)
a. Rents set at less than 30% than adjusted income	
1. X Yes No: Does the PHA plan to charge rents at a fix percentage less than 30% of adjusted inc	
2. If yes to above, list the amounts or percentages charged and the which these will be used below: Ceiling and/or flat rent charts at	
0 BR 1 BR 2 BR 3 BR 4 BR 246.00 299.00 352.00 440.00 493.00	
<ul> <li>d. Which of the discretionary (optional) deductions and/or exclusion plan to employ (select all that apply)</li> <li> For the earned income of a previously unemployed house</li> <li> For increases in earned income</li> <li> Fixed amount (other than general rent-setting policy)</li> <li> If yes, state amount/s and circumstances below:</li> </ul>	•
Fixed percentage (other than general rent-setting policy)  If yes, state percentage/s and circumstances below	w:
For household heads For other family members For transportation expenses	

	For the non-reimbursed medical expenses of non-disabled or non-elderly families
	Other (describe below)
e. C	Ceiling rents
	Do you have ceiling rents? (rents set at a level lower than 30% of adjusted income) (select one)
	For specified general occupancy developments  For certain parts of developments; e.g., the high-rise portion
	Select the space or spaces that best describe how you arrive at ceiling rents (select all that apply)
X	<ul> <li>95<sup>th</sup> percentile rents</li> <li>75 percent of operating costs</li> </ul>
f. F	Rent re-determinations:
fam	Between income reexaminations, how often must tenants report changes in income or aily composition to the PHA such that the changes result in an adjustment to rent? (select hat apply)  Never  At family option  Any time the family experiences an income increase

Any time a family experiences an income increase above a threshold amount or percentage: (if selected, specify threshold)	
X Other (list below) Within ten days as per regulations, ACOP, and Lease.	
gYes _X No: Does the PHA plan to implement individual savings accounts for residents (ISAs) as an alternative to the required 12 month disallowance of earned income and phasing in of rent increases the next year?	
(2) Flat Rents	
<ol> <li>In setting the market-based flat rents, what sources of information did the PHA use establish comparability? (select all that apply.) This PHA has elected to use the ceiling for the permissable period as the flat rents.</li> <li>The section 8 rent reasonableness study of comparable housing</li> <li>Survey of rents listed in local newspaper</li> <li>Survey of similar unassisted units in the neighborhood</li> <li>Other (list/describe below) Survey of assisted units in area.</li> </ol>	
B. Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance  Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer Section 8 tenant-based assistance are not requir complete sub-component 4B. Unless otherwise specified, all questions in this section apply only tenant-based section 8 assistance program (vouchers, and until completely merged into the voice).	to the
Describe the voucher payment standards and policies.  a. What is the PHA's payment standard? (select the category that best describes your standard)  At or above 90% but below100% of FMR	
100% of FMR Above 100% but at or below 110% of FMR Above 110% of FMR (if HUD approved; describe circumstances below)	
b. If the payment standard is lower than FMR, why has the PHA selected this standard (select all that apply)	1?
FMRs are adequate to ensure success among assisted families in the PHA's seg of the FMR area	ment
The PHA has chosen to serve additional families by lowering the payment stand	lard
Reflects market or submarket Other (list below)	
c. If the payment standard is higher than FMR, why has the PHA chosen this level? (se	lect

all th	at apply)
	FMRs are not adequate to ensure success among assisted families in the PHA's
	segment of the FMR area
	Reflects market or submarket
	To increase housing options for families
	Other (list below)
d. How	often are payment standards reevaluated for adequacy? (select one)
	Annually
	Other (list below)
e. Wha	t factors will the PHA consider in its assessment of the adequacy of its payment
	lard? (select all that apply)
	Success rates of assisted families
	Rent burdens of assisted families
	Other (list below)
(2) Min	uimum Rent
a. Wha	t amount best reflects the PHA's minimum rent? (select one)
	\$0
	\$1-\$25
	\$26-\$50
b.	Yes No: Has the PHA adopted any discretionary minimum rent hardship
	exemption policies? (if yes, list below)
	erations and Management
[24 CFK	Part 903.7 9 (e)]
	ons from Component 5: High performing and small PHAs are not required to complete this
	Section 8 only PHAs must complete parts A, B, and C(2)
	A Management Structure  Other PHA's management structure and organization.
`	An organization chart showing the PHA's management structure and organization is
	attached. File (AL166B01.DOC)
	A brief description of the management structure and organization of the PHA follows
B. HUI	O Programs Under PHA Management

. List Federal programs administered by the PHA, number of families served at the beginning of

Program Name	Uhits po Finning year, a sindicate that the PHA does n	nExpected turnover in each. ot operate any of the programs l	(Use "NA" isted below.)
	Beginning		
Public Housing	267	**97 (34%)	
Section 8 Vouchers			
Section 8 Certificates			
Section 8 Mod Rehab			
Special Purpose Section			
8 Certificates/Vouchers			
(list individually)			
Public Housing Drug	267	N/A	
Elimination Program			
(PHDEP)			
Other Federal			
Programs(list individually)			

<sup>\*\*</sup>Note: Average of the past two years

#### C. Management and Maintenance Policies

List the PHA's public housing management and maintenance policy documents, manuals and handbooks that contain the Agency's rules, standards, and policies that govern maintenance and management of public Housing Maintenance and Maintenance Plan, House Rules. (Ist below) ACOP, Lease, management of public housing including a description of any measures necessary for the prevention or eradication of pest infestation (which includes cockroach infestation) and the policies governing Section 8 management.

(2) Section 8 Management: (list below)

#### **6. PHA Grievance Procedures**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (f)]

Exemptions from component 6: High performing PHAs are not required to complete component 6. Section 8-Only PHAs are exempt from sub-component 6A.

#### See ACOP (File AL166A01.DOC)

#### A. Public Housing

1. X Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No: Has the PHA established any written grievance procedures in addition

to federal requirements found at 24 CFR Part 966, Subpart B, for residents of public housing?

If yes, list additions to federal requirements below: Meets all requirements and was approved by the local HUD office. The State of Alabama does not have right of discovery.

2. Which PHA office should residents or applicants to public housing contact to initiate the
PHA grievance process? (select all that apply)
X PHA main administrative office
PHA development management offices
Other (list below)
B. Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance
1Yes No: Has the PHA established informal review procedures for applicants
to the Section 8 tenant-based assistance program and informal
hearing procedures for families assisted by the Section 8 tenant-
based assistance program in addition to federal requirements found
at 24 CFR 982?
If yes, list additions to federal requirements below:
<ol> <li>Which PHA office should applicants or assisted families contact to initiate the informal review and informal hearing processes? (select all that apply)</li> <li>PHA main administrative office</li> <li>Other (list below)</li> </ol>
7. Capital Improvement Needs [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (g)]
Exemptions from Component 7: Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this component and
A. Capital Fund Activities
Exemptions from sub-component 7A: PHAs that will not participate in the Capital Fund Program may
skip to component 7Bp All other PHAs must complete 7A as instructed.
Using parts I, II, and III of the Annual Statement for the Capital Fund Program (CFP), identify capita
activities the PHA is proposing for the upcoming year to ensure long-term physical and social viability of its public housing developments. This statement can be completed by using the CFP Annua Statement tables provided in the table library at the end of the PHA Plan template OR; at the PHA's option, by PHA Plan at Attachment (state name) at the HA's option, by PHA Plan at Attachment (state name) at the HAD-52837.
-Of-
X The Capital Fund Program Annual Statement is provided below: (if selected, copy
the CFP Annual Statement from the Table Library and insert here)

# Component 7 Capital Fund Program Annual Statement Parts I, II, and II

Annual Statement (Original: approved 12/1999, CGPAL09P16670799)

Capital Fund Program (CFP) Part I: Summary

Line No.	Summary by Development Account	Total Estimated Cost
1	Total Non-CGP Funds	
2	1406 Operations	
3	1408 Management Improvements	
4	1410 Administration	34.700
5	1411 Audit	
6	1415 Liquidated Damages	
7	1430 Fees and Costs	38.800
8	1440 Site Acquisition	
9	1450 Site Improvement	
10	1460 Dwelling Structures	382.700
11	1465.1 Dwelling Equipment-Nonexpendable	
12	1470 Nondwelling Structures	
13	1475 Nondwelling Equipment	
14	1485 Demolition	
15	1490 Replacement Reserve	
16	1492 Moving to Work Demonstration	
17	1495.1 Relocation Costs	
18	1498 Mod Used for Development	
19	1502 Contingency	
20	Amount of Annual Grant (Sum of lines 2-19)	464.000
21	Amount of line 20 Related to LBP Activities	
22	Amount of line 20 Related to Section 504 Compliance	
23	Amount of line 20 Related to Security	
24	Amount of line 20 Related to Energy Conservation Measures	

**Annual Statement** 

Capital Fund Program (CFP) Part II: Supporting Table

Development Number/Name HA-Wide Activities	General Description of Major Work Categories	Development Account Number	Total Estimated Cost
AL09P166003 Project 3	(1) Complete renovation of 6 housing units with central heating & air conditioning and new areas for washers, dryers,	1460	312,000
	water heaters & rear porches.  (2) Relocate 6 tenants including utility transfer.	1495.1	7,800
	(3) Renovate 4 existing handicap housing units with central heating & air conditioning and new areas for water	1460	60,000
	heaters & rear porches.  (4) Rework 20 existing sanitary sewer services from units to existing sewer main.	1460	10,700
	Program Coordinator	1410.1	34,200
	Advertisements for Bids	1410.9	500
	P.E. Consulting Fee		38,800
	Total:		464.000

#### **Annual Statement**

#### Capital Fund Program (CFP) Part III: Implementation Schedule

Development Number/Name HA-Wide Activities	All Funds Obligated (Quarter Ending Date)	All Funds Expended (Quarter Ending Date)
AI .09P166002 Project 2	7/28/2001	7/28/2001
AL09P166003 Project 3	7/28/2001	7/28/2001

#### (2) Optional 5-Year Action Plan

Agencies are encouraged to include a 5-Year Action Plan covering capital work items. This statement can be completed by using the 5-Year Action Plan table provided in the table library at the end of the PHA Plan template OR by completing and attaching a properly updated HUD-52834. Fund? (If no, skip to sub-component 7B)

b. If y	res to question a, select one:
	The Capital Fund Program 5-Year Action Plan is provided as an attachment to the
	PHA Plan at Attachment (state name
-or-	

X The Capital Fund Program 5-Year Action Plan is provided below: (if selected, copy the CFP optional 5 Year Action Plan from the Table Library and insert here)

# Optional Table for 5-Year Action Plan for Capital Fund

## (Component 7)

Complete one table for each development in which work is planned in the next 5 PHA fiscal years. Complete a table for any PHA-wide physical or management improvements planned in the next 5 PHA fiscal year. Copy this table as many times as necessary. Note: PHAs need not include information from Year One of the 5-Year cycle, because this information is included in the Capital Fund Program Annual Statement.

**Optional 5-Year Action Plan Tables** 

Optional 5 Teal Metion Familiance					
Development Number	Development Name (or indicate PHA wide)	Number Vacant		cancies relopment	
Number	(or indicate FTIA wide)	Units	III Dev	еюринен	
AL09P166003	Project 3	0	0		
Description of Needed Physical Improvements or Management Improvements			Estimated Cost	Planned St (HA Fiscal	
- central heating a - extensive interio - sewer line extens - sidewalk repairs	renovation of housing units to inclund air conditioning r renovation sion and replacement ete retaining wall with fence and lan			1,774,252	FY 1999
Total estimated co	ost over next 5 years			1,774,252	

# B. HOPE VI and Public Housing Development and Replacement Activities (Non-Capital Fund)

Applicability of sub-component 7B: All PHAs administering public housing. Identify any approved HOPE VI and/or public housing development or replacement activities not described in the Capital Fund Program Annual Statement.

- Program Annual Statement.
  No: a) Has the PHA received a HOPE VI revitalization grant? (if no, skip to question c; if yes, provide responses to question b for each grant, copying and completing as many times as necessary)
  - b) Status of HOPE VI revitalization grant (complete one set of questions for each grant)
  - 1. Development name:
  - 2. Development (project) number:
  - 3. Status of grant: (select the statement that best describes the current status)

	Revitalization Plan under development
	Revitalization Plan submitted, pending approval
	Revitalization Plan approved  Activities pursuant to an approved Povitalization Plan
	Activities pursuant to an approved Revitalization Plan underway
Yes <u>X</u> No:	c) Does the PHA plan to apply for a HOPE VI Revitalization grant in the Plan year?  If yes, list development name/s below:
	if yes, not de veropinent name, s below.
Yes <u>X</u> No:	d) Will the PHA be engaging in any mixed-finance development activities for public housing in the Plan year?  If yes, list developments or activities below:
	if yes, list developments of dearlines below.
Yes <u>X</u> No:	e) Will the PHA be conducting any other public housing development or replacement activities not discussed in the Capital Fund Program Annual Statement?
	If yes, list developments or activities below:
	ent 8: Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this section.  b: Does the PHA plan to conduct any demolition or disposition activities (pursuant to section 18 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937
	(42 U.S.C. 1437p)) in the plan Fiscal Year? (If "No", skip to
	component 9; if "yes", complete one activity description for each development.)
2. Activity Description	1
Yes No:	Has the PHA provided the activities description information in the optional Public Housing Asset Management Table? (If "yes", skip to component 9. If "No", complete the Activity Description table below.)
Dom	polition/Disposition Activity Description
Den	nolition/Disposition Activity Description

1a. Development name:
1b. Development (project) number:
2. Activity type:Demolition
Disposition
3. Application status (select one)
Approved
Submitted, pending approval
Planned application
4. Date application approved, submitted, or planned for submission: (DD/MM/YY)
5. Number of units affected:
Coverage of action (select one)
Part of the development
Total development
7. Timeline for activity:
a. Actual or projected start date of activity:
b. Projected end date of activity:
<ul> <li>9. Designation of Public Housing for Occupancy by Elderly Families or Families with Disabilities or Elderly Families and Families with Disabilities</li> <li>[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (i)]</li> <li>Exemptions from Component 9; Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this section.</li> <li>1Yes _X_ No: Has the PHA designated or applied for approval to designate or does the PHA plan to apply to designate any public housing for occupancy only by the elderly families or only by families with disabilities, or by elderly families and families with disabilities or only families with disabilities as provided by section 7 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437e) in the upcoming fiscal year? (If "No", skip to component 10. If "yes", complete one activity description for each</li> </ul>
development, unless the PHA is eligible to complete a streamlined submission; PHAs completing streamlined submissions may skip to component 10.)  2. Activity Description Yes No: Has the PHA provided all required activity description information for this component in the <b>optional</b> Public Housing Asset Management Table? If "yes", skip to component 10. If "No",

# complete the Activity Description table below.

Designation of Public Housing Activity Description
1a. Development name:
1b. Development (project) number:
2. Designation type:
Occupancy by only the elderly
Occupancy by families with disabilities
Occupancy by only elderly families and families with disabilities
3. Application status (select one)
Approved; included in the PHA's Designation Plan
Submitted, pending approval
Planned application
4. Date this designation approved, submitted, or planned for submission: (DD/MM/YY)
5. If approved, will this designation constitute a (select one)  New Designation Plan
Revision of a previously-approved Designation Plan?
1. Number of units affected:
7. Coverage of action (select one)
Part of the development
Total development
<ul> <li>10. Conversion of Public Housing to Tenant-Based Assistance [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (j)] Exemptions from Component 10; Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this section.</li> <li>A. Assessments of Reasonable Revitalization Pursuant to section 202 of the HUD FY 1996 HUD Appropriations Act</li> <li>1Yes _X_ No: Have any of the PHA's developments or portions of developments been identified by HUD or the PHA as covered under section 202</li> </ul>
of the HUD FY 1996 HUD Appropriations Act? (If "No", skip to component 11; if "yes", complete one activity description for each identified development, unless eligible to complete a streamlined submission. PHAs completing streamlined submissions may skip to component 11.)  2. Activity Description
Yes No: Has the PHA provided all required activity description information

for this component in the **optional** Public Housing Asset Management Table? If "yes", skip to component 11. If "No", complete the Activity Description table below.

ment name:
oment (project) number:
he status of the required assessment?
sessment underway
sessment results submitted to HUD
sessment results approved by HUD (if marked, proceed to next question)
her (explain below)
No: Is a Conversion Plan required? (If yes, go to block 4; if no, go to
of Conversion Plan (select the statement that best describes the current status)
onversion Plan in development onversion Plan submitted to HUD on: (DD/MM/YYYY)
onversion Plan approved by HUD on: (DD/MM/YYYY)
etivities pursuant to HUD-approved Conversion Plan underway
uvities pursuant to 11015-approved Conversion I fair underway
ion of how requirements of Section 202 are being satisfied by means other than (select one)
nits addressed in a pending or approved demolition application (date submitted
or approved:
nits addressed in a pending or approved HOPE VI demolition application (date submitted or approved:
nits addressed in a pending or approved HOPE VI Revitalization Plan (date submitted or approved: )
equirements no longer applicable: vacancy rates are less than 10 percent
equirements no longer applicable: site now has less than 300 units
her: (describe below)

11. Homeownership Programs Administered by the PHA

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (k)]

# A. Public Housing

<b>Exemptions from Com</b>	ponent 11A: Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete 11A.
1Yes_X_N	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
2. Activity Descrip	tion
Yes No	
	Housing Homeownership Activity Description omplete one for each development affected)
1a. Development name:	
1b. Development (project	t) number:
2. Federal Program autho	rity:
HOPE I	
5(h)	
Turnkey III	779771 04027 ( 00 1 404/00)
	e USHA of 1937 (effective 10/1/99)
3. Application status: (sel Approved; inclu Submitted, pend Planned applica	ded in the PHA's Homeownership Plan/Program ling approval
**	Plan/Program approved, submitted, or planned for submission:
(DD/MM/YYYY)	5 Tr
5. Number of units affect	eted:
6. Coverage of action:	(select one)
Part of the develop	ment
Total development	

B. Section 8 Tena	int Based Assistance
1Yes No:	Does the PHA plan to administer a Section 8 Homeownership program pursuant to Section 8(y) of the U.S.H.A. of 1937, as implemented by 24 CFR part 982? (If "No", skip to component 12: if "yes", describe each program using the table below (copy and complete questions for each program identified), unless the PHA is eligible to complete a streamlined submission due to high performer status. High performing PHAs may skip to component 12.)
2. Program Description	on:
a. Size of Program	
Yes No:	Will the PHA limit the number of families participating in the section 8 homeownership option?
number of par 25 or 26 - 5 51 to	to the question above was yes, which statement best describes the ticipants? (select one) fewer participants 0 participants 100 participants than 100 participants
S	igibility criteria  Il the PHA's program have eligibility criteria for participation in its section 8 Homeownership Option program in addition to HUD criteria? f yes, list criteria below:
<b>12. PHA Commu</b> [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (1)]	unity Service and Self-sufficiency Programs
•	onent 12: High performing and small PHAs are not required to complete this only Withsthe Welfare (TANF) Agentes omponent C.
	ments: as the PHA has entered into a cooperative agreement with the TANF Agency, to share information and/or target supportive services (as ontemplated by section 12(d)(7) of the Housing Act of 1937)?
I	f yes what was the date that agreement was signed: 4/20/1998

Z. Otr	ner coordination effor Client referrals	AIS OCTWEEN	the PHA and TA	INF agency (select all tr	nat apply)
X		g regarding	mutual clients (for	rent determinations and	
<u>X</u>	*	-	ecific social and s	elf-sufficiency services	and
	Jointly administer				
	Partner to adminis	ster a HUD	Welfare-to-Work	voucher program	
	Joint administratio	n of other d	emonstration prog	ram	
	Other (describe)				
B. Se	ervices and progra	ıms offered	to residents and	l participants	
	(1) General				
	a. Self-Sufficiency	y Policies			
	Which, if any of th	ne following	discretionary police	cies will the PHA emplo	y to enhance
	the economic and	social self-su	ufficiency of assist	ed families in the follow	ing areas?
	(select all that appl	ly)			
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	•	termination policie	_	
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	_	ions policies: Local	l Preferences	
		admissions <sub>1</sub>	•		
				certain public housing fa	
				iging in training or educa	
				erated or coordinated by	
				homeownership option p	
				ownership option partici	ipation
	Other poli	cies (list bel	ow)		
	b. Economic and	Social self-s	ufficiency progran	ns	
	X Yes No	o: Does the	PHA coordinate	promote or provide any	programs to
			-	of residents? (If "yes",	
			•	, Family Self Sufficience	-
	The position of the	-	•	•	,
		t more may			
		uoie may			
		·	ices and Program	ms	

(including location, if appropriate)	Size	Method (waiting list/random selection/specific criteria/other)	(development office / PHA main office / other provider name)	(public housing or section 8 participants or both)
Adult Computer Lab/Tutorial	15	Random	PHA Main Office	Public Housing
Youth Computer Lab/Tutorial	15	Random	PHA Main Office	Public Housing
Youth Recreation Program	40	Random	PHA Main Office	Public Housing

# (2) Family Self Sufficiency program/s

a. Participation Description

Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) Participation			
Program	Required Number of Participants (start of FY 2000 Estimate)	Actual Number of Participants (As of: DD/MM/YY)	
Public Housing			
Section 8			

b	Yes N	: If the PHA is not maintaining the minimum program size required by
		HUD, does the most recent FSS Action Plan address the steps the
		PHA plans to take to achieve at least the minimum program size?
		If no, list steps the PHA will take below:

#### C. Welfare Benefit Reductions

1.	The PHA is complying with the statutory requirements of section 12(d) of the U.S.
	Housing Act of 1937 (relating to the treatment of income changes resulting from welfare
	program requirements) by: (select all that apply)
_}	Adopting appropriate changes to the PHA's public housing rent determination
	policies and train staff to carry out those policies

X Informing residents of new policy on admission and reexamination
 Actively notifying residents of new policy at times in addition to admission and reexamination.

<u>X</u> <u>X</u>	Establishing or pursuing a cooperative agreement with all appropriate TANF agencies regarding the exchange of information and coordination of services Establishing a protocol for exchange of information with all appropriate TANF agencies  Other: (list below)
U.S. I	eserved for Community Service Requirement pursuant to section 12(c) of the Housing Act of 1937 Lease (on file at Birmingham, HUD Office)
13. F	PHA Safety and Crime Prevention Measures
Exempt Section PHD	R Part 903.79 (m)] ions from Component 13: High performing and small PHAs not participating in PHDEP and 8 Only PHAs may skip to component 15. High Performing and small PHAs that are participating appropriate submitting a PHDEP Plan with this PHA Plan may skip to sub-component D.
A. Ne	eed for measures to ensure the safety of public housing residents
	scribe the need for measures to ensure the safety of public housing residents (select all
that	apply) High incidence of violent and/or drug-related crime in some or all of the PHA's
	developments
X	High incidence of violent and/or drug-related crime in the areas surrounding or
	adjacent to the PHA's developments
	Residents fearful for their safety and/or the safety of their children  Observed lower-level crime, vandalism and/or graffiti
	People on waiting list unwilling to move into one or more developments due to
	perceived and/or actual levels of violent and/or drug-related crime
	Other (describe below)
2. Wh	nat information or data did the PHA used to determine the need for PHA actions to
	prove safety of residents (select all that apply).
X	Safety and security survey of residents
X	Analysis of crime statistics over time for crimes committed "in and around" public
	housing authority
	Analysis of cost trends over time for repair of vandalism and removal of graffiti
X X	Resident reports PHA employee reports
X	Police reports
	Demonstrable, quantifiable success with previous or ongoing anticrime/anti drug

programs Other (describe below)
3. Which developments are most affected? (list below) All Developments
B. Crime and Drug Prevention activities the PHA has undertaken or plans to undertake in the next PHA fiscal year
List the crime prevention activities the PHA has undertaken or plans to undertake: (select all that apply)      X Contracting with outside and/or resident organizations for the provision of crime-and/or drug-prevention activities      X Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design      X Activities targeted to at-risk youth, adults, or seniors      Volunteer Resident Patrol/Block Watchers Program  Other (describe below)
2. Which developments are most affected? (list below) All developments
C. Coordination between PHA and the police
1. Describe the coordination between the PHA and the appropriate police precincts for carrying out crime prevention measures and activities: (select all that apply)
<ul> <li>X Police involvement in development, implementation, and/or ongoing evaluation of drug-elimination plan</li> <li>X Police provide crime data to housing authority staff for analysis and action</li> <li>X Police have established a physical presence on housing authority property (e.g., community policing office, officer in residence)</li> <li>X Police regularly testify in and otherwise support eviction cases</li> <li>X Police regularly meet with the PHA management and residents</li> <li>X Agreement between PHA and local law enforcement agency for provision of above-baseline law enforcement services</li> <li>Other activities (list below)</li> </ul>
2. Which developments are most affected? (list below) All Developments
D. Additional information as required by PHDEP/PHDEP Plan  PHAs eligible for FY 2000 PHDEP funds must provide a PHDEP Plan meeting specified requirements  prior typesceipt of PHDEP funds HA eligible to participate in the PHDEP in the fiscal year

covered by this PHA Plan?  X Yes No: Has the PHA included the PHDEP Plan for FY 2000 in this PHA Plan?  X Yes No: This PHDEP Plan is an Attachment. (Attachment Filename:  AL166C01.DOC, AL166D01.DOC, & AL166E01.DOC)
44CFRESERVED)FOR PET POLICY
See Pet Policy (File AL166F01.DOC)
15. Civil Rights Certifications
[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (o)]
Civil rights certifications are included in the PHA Plan Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related Regulations.
16. Fiscal Audit [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (p)]
<ol> <li>X Yes No: Is the PHA required to have an audit conducted under section 5(h)(2) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U S.C. 1437c(h))? (If no, skip to component 17.)</li> <li>X Yes No: Was the most recent fiscal audit submitted to HUD?</li> <li>Yes X No: Were there any findings as the result of that audit?</li> </ol>
4Yes No: If there were any findings, do any remain unresolved?
If yes, how many unresolved findings remain?
5Yes No: Have responses to any unresolved findings been submitted to HUD?  If not, when are they due (state below)?
17. PHA Asset Management [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (q)]
Exemptions from component 17: Section 8 Only PHAs are not required to complete this component.
High performing and No. Is the PHA engaging in any activities that will contribute to the
long-term asset management of its public housing stock, including how the Agency will plan for long-term operating,
capital investment, rehabilitation, modernization, disposition, and
other needs that have <b>not</b> been addressed elsewhere in this PHA Plan?
<ol> <li>What types of asset management activities will the PHA undertake? (select all that apply)</li> <li>Not applicable</li> </ol>

Private managem	ent
Development-ba	sed accounting
Comprehensive	stock assessment
Other: (list below	<i>i</i> )
8	as the PHA included descriptions of asset management activities in the <b>optional</b> Public Housing Asset Management Γable?
<b>18. Other Informa</b> [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (r)]	<u>tion</u>
A. Resident Advisory	Board Recommendations
	id the PHA receive any comments on the PHA Plan from the Resident Advisory Board/s? None, other than those listed on page 2 of FY2000 annual plan - comments of Resident Advisory Board or Boards.
•	are: (if comments were received, the PHA MUST select one) chment (File name)
	ne PHA address those comments? (select all that apply) ments, but determined that no changes to the PHA Plan were
	ed portions of the PHA Plan in response to comments
List changes belo	ow:
Other: (list below	<i>i</i> )
B. Description of Elec	tion process for Residents on the PHA Board
1Yes <u>X</u> No:	Does the PHA meet the exemption criteria provided section 2(b)(2) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937? (If no, continue to question 2; if yes, skip to sub-component C.)
2Yes No:	Was the resident who serves on the PHA Board elected by the residents? (If yes, continue to question 3; if no, skip to subcomponent C.)
3. Description of Reside	ent Election Process: According to Alabama law, Housing Authority Board

under.	
Candi Candi Self-r ballot	n of candidates for place on the ballot: (select all that apply) idates were nominated by resident and assisted family organizations idates could be nominated by any adult recipient of PHA assistance nomination: Candidates registered with the PHA and requested a place on :: (describe)
Any i Any i Any i	recipient of PHA assistance nead of household receiving PHA assistance ndult recipient of PHA assistance ndult member of a resident or assisted family organization (list)
All ac	esentatives of all PHA resident and assisted family organizations
For each application of the PHA	nt of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan able Consolidated Plan, make the following statement (copy questions as many times a red Plan jurisdiction: State of Alabama has taken the following steps to ensure consistency of this PHA Plan with the ed Plan for the jurisdiction: (select all that apply)
X The F needs X The F Conso X The F of this Active initiate.	PHA has based its statement of needs of families in the jurisdiction on the expressed in the Consolidated Plan/s. PHA has participated in any consultation process organized and offered by the plidated Plan agency in the development of the Consolidated Plan. PHA has consulted with the Consolidated Plan agency during the development is PHA Plan. Ities to be undertaken by the PHA in the coming year are consistent with the lives contained in the Consolidated Plan. (list below)
4. The Conso	olidated Plan of the jurisdiction supports the PHA Plan with the following

Members are appointed by the Mayor of the City jurisdiction of which the Housing Authority falls

D. Other Information Required by HUD Use this section to provide any additional information requested by HUD.

actions and commitments: (describe below)

# **Attachments**

Use this section to provide any additional attachments referenced in the Plans.

AL166A01.DOC = ACOP

AL166B01.DOC = Management Structure Chart

AL166C01.DOC = 98 PHDEP Attachment

AL166D01.DOC = 99 PHDEP Attachment

AL166E01.DOC = 2000 PHDEP Attachment

AL166F01.DOC = Pet Policy

# PHA Plan Gamponent 7 Table Library Capital Fund Program Annual Statement Parts I, II, and II

## **Annual Statement**

Capital Fund Program (CFP) Part I: Summary

Line No.	Summary by Development Account	Total Estimated Cost
1	Total Non-CGP Funds	
2	1406 Operations	
3	1408 Management Improvements	
4	1410 Administration	
5	1411 Audit	
6	1415 Liquidated Damages	
7	1430 Fees and Costs	
8	1440 Site Acquisition	
9	1450 Site Improvement	
10	1460 Dwelling Structures	
11	1465.1 Dwelling Equipment-Nonexpendable	
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14	1485 Demolition	
15	1490 Replacement Reserve	
16	1492 Moving to Work Demonstration	
17	1495.1 Relocation Costs	
18	1498 Mod Used for Development	
19	1502 Contingency	
20	Amount of Annual Grant (Sum of lines 2-19)	
21	Amount of line 20 Related to LBP Activities	
22	Amount of line 20 Related to Section 504 Compliance	
23	Amount of line 20 Related to Security	
24	Amount of line 20 Related to Energy Conservation Measures	

#### **Annual Statement**

Capital Fund Program (CFP) Part II: Supporting Table

Development	General Description of Major Work	Development	Total
Number/Name	Categories	Account	Estimated
HA-Wide Activities		Number	Cost

-		
-		

# Annual Statement Capital Fund Program (CFP) Part III: Implementation Schedule

Development Number/Name HA-Wide Activities	All Funds Obligated (Quarter Ending Date)	All Funds Expended (Quarter Ending Date)

# **Optional Table for 5-Year Action Plan for Capital Fund (Component 7)**

Complete one table for each development in which work is planned in the next 5 PHA fiscal years. Complete a table for any PHA-wide physical or management improvements planned in the next 5 PHA fiscal year. Copy this table as many times as necessary. Note: PHAs need not include information from Year One of the 5-Year cycle, because this information is included in the Capital Fund Program Annual Statement.

Optional 5-Year Action Plan Tables					
Development Number	Development Name (or indicate PHA wide)	Number Vacant Units	% Vacancies in Development		
Description of Ne	eded Physical Improvements or Ma	nagement Improvem	ents	Estimated Cost	Planned Start Date (HA Fiscal Year)
Total estimated c	ost over next 5 years				

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# **Optional Public Housing Asset Management Table**

See Technical Guidance for instructions on the use of this table, including information to be provided.

	Public Housing Asset Management							
Development Identification		Activity Description						
Name, Number, and Location	Number and Type of units	Capital Fund Program Parts II and III Component 7a	Development Activities Component 7b	Demolition / disposition Component 8	Designated housing Component 9	Conversion  Component 10	Home- ownership Component 11a	Other (describe) Component 17

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# CHICKASAW HOUSING AUTHORITY

# ADMISSIONS AND CONTINUED OCCUPANCY POLICY

A.C.O.P.

May 13, 1999 Adopted

#### Note:

This plan (ACOP) also serves as our "Tenant Selection and Assignment Plan (TSAP)" because it meets the requirements for a TSAP and provides the details as to how this Agency processes the selection and assignment of applicants for Public Housing.

The ACOP also includes the regulatory "One-Strike" provisions for admission to Public Housing and applicable sections of Title V of H.R. 4194, the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility  $\operatorname{Act}$ .

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#### SECTION I. INTRODUCTION:

1. <u>Mission Statement:</u> - Our goal is to provide drug free, decent, safe, and sanitary housing for eligible families and to provide opportunities and promote self-sufficiency and economic independence for residents.

#### In order to achieve this mission, we will:

- Recognize residents as our ultimate customer;
- Improve Public Housing Authority (HA) management and service delivery efforts through effective and efficient management of HA staff;
- Seek problem-solving partnerships with residents, community, and government leadership;
- Apply HA resources, to the effective and efficient management and operation of public housing programs, taking into account changes in Federal funding.
- 2. <u>Purpose of Policy:</u> The purpose of this policy (Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy) is to establish guidelines for the Public Housing Authority (HA) staff to follow in determining eligibility for admission to and continued occupancy of Public Housing. The basic guidelines for this policy is governed by requirements of The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), with latitude for local policies and procedures. The Policies and Procedures governing Admissions and Continued Occupancy are outlined in this policy and these requirements are binding upon applicants, residents and this HA alike. Notwithstanding the above, changes in applicable federal law or regulations shall supersede provisions in conflict with this policy.

Federal Regulations shall mean those found in 24 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 900

### 3. <u>Primary Responsibilities of the HA:</u>

- A. Informing eligible families of the availability of public housing assistance;
- B. Determining and posting annually the utility allowances;
- C. Receiving applications from families and determining their eligibility for assistance;

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- D. Inspecting Public Housing units to determine that they meet or exceed Housing Quality Standards:
- E. Approving leases;
- F. Collecting rent on a monthly basis from tenants;

- G. Annual re-examinations of income, family composition and redetermination of rent;
- H. Authorizing and processing evictions; and,
- I. Ongoing maintenance and modernization of the public housing inventory.
- 4. Objectives: The objectives of this policy are to:
  - A. Promote the overall goal of drug free, decent, safe and sanitary housing by:
    - (1) Insuring a social and economic mix of residents within each public housing neighborhood in order to foster social stability and upward mobility.
    - (2) Insuring the fiscal stability of the HA.
    - (3) Lawfully denying admission or continued occupancy to applicants or tenants whose presence in a public housing neighborhood are likely to adversely affect the health, safety, comfort or welfare of other residents or the physical environment of the neighborhood or create a danger to HA employees.
    - (4) Insuring that Elderly families can live in public housing as long as they are able to live independently and/or have someone to help them live independently as in the case of a live-in aid.
  - B. Facilitate the efficient management of the HA and compliance with Federal Regulations by establishing policies for the efficient and effective management of the HA inventory and staff.
  - C. Comply in letter and spirit with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and all other applicable Federal laws and regulations to insure that admission to and continued occupancy in public housing are conducted without regard to race, color, religion, creed, sex, national origin, handicap, or familial status.
- 5. <u>Outreach</u> As much information as possible about Public Housing may be disseminated through local media (newspaper, radio, television, etc.). For those who call the HA Office, the staff may be available to convey essential information.
  - The HA may hold meetings with local social community agencies.
  - The HA may sponsor "Open House" programs within the public housing community to attract potential tenants to view a public housing unit.
  - The HA may make known to the public, through publications in a newspaper of general circulation as well as through minority media and other suitable means, the availability and nature of housing assistance for lower-income families. The notice shall inform such families where they may apply for Public Housing. The HA shall take affirmative actions to provide opportunities to participate in the program to persons who, because of such factors as race, ethnicity, sex of household head, age, or source of income, are less likely to apply for Public Housing. When there is a Local Housing Plan pursuant to Section 24 CFR, Part 91 (Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS), the HA planned programs will be incorporated in the CHAS.

#### SECTION II. FAIR HOUSING POLICY

It is the policy of the HA to comply fully with all Federal, State, and local nondiscrimination laws and in accordance with the rules and regulations governing Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity in housing and employment and with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Specifically, the HA shall not on account of race, color, sex, religion, creed, national or ethnic origin, familial status, disability or handicap, deny any family or individual the opportunity to apply for or receive assistance under HUD's Public Housing Programs, within the requirements and regulations of HUD and other regulatory authorities.

To further its commitment to full compliance with applicable Civil Rights laws, the HA will provide access to information to public housing residents regarding "discrimination". Also, this subject will be discussed during the briefing session and any complaints will be documented and made part of the applicant's/tenants file.

#### SECTION III. PRIVACY RIGHTS

Applicants will be required to sign the Federal Privacy Act Statement which states under what conditions HUD will release tenant information.

Requests for information by other parties must be accompanied by a signed release request in order for the HA to release any information involving an applicant or participant, unless disclosure is authorized under Federal or State law or regulations.

(Reference HUD Form 9886)

#### SECTION IV. DEFINITION OF TERMS

Definitions are amended from time to time and are contained in Section 24 CFR, which are incorporated by reference as if fully set out herein. Copies of this regulation are available in the HA Office.

- 1. <u>ADJUSTED FAMILY INCOME</u> Adjusted Family Income is the income on which total tenant payment is to be based and means the Total Annual Income less the following allowances:
  - A. A deduction of \$480.00 for each member of the family (other than head of household or spouse) who is (1) seventeen (17) years of age or younger or (2) who is eighteen (18) years of age or older and a verified <u>full-time</u> student and/or is disabled or handicapped according to this Section.
  - B. A deduction of dollar amounts anticipated to be paid for the care of children (including foster children) under thirteen (13) years of age where care is necessary to enable a family member to be gainfully employed or to further his/her education. The dollar

- amount must be verified and reflect reasonable charges and cannot exceed the amount of income from employment (if employed).
- C. A deduction of \$400.00 for Elderly Family whose head, spouse or sole member is sixty-two (62) years of age or older and/or is handicapped or disabled according to this Section.
- D. A deduction for any elderly family:
  - (1) That has no Handicapped Assistance Expense, an allowance for medical expenses equal to the amount by which the medical expense shall exceed three (3%) percent of Total Annual Family Income.
  - (2) That has Handicapped Assistance Expenses greater than or equal to three (3%) percent of Total Annual Family Income, an Allowance for Handicapped Assistance computed in accordance with paragraph E of this Section, plus an allowance for medical expenses that is equal to the Family's medical expenses.
  - (3) That has Handicapped Assistance Expenses that are less than three (3%) percent of Total Annual Family Income, an allowance for combined Handicapped Assistance expense and medical expense that is equal to the amount by which the sum of these expenses exceeds three (3%) percent of Total Annual Family Income. Expenses used to compute the deduction cannot be compensated for nor covered by insurance.
- E. A deduction for any family that is not an elderly family but has a handicapped or Disabled member other than the head of household or spouse, Handicapped Assistance Expense in excess of three (3%) percent of Total Annual Family Income, but this allowance may not exceed the employment received by family members who are eighteen (18) years of age or older as a result of the Assistance to the Handicapped or Disabled person.
- F. Child Care Expenses: Amounts anticipated to be paid by the Family for the care of children under 13 years of age during the period for which Annual Income is computed, but only where such care is necessary to enable a Family member to **actively seek employment**, be gainfully employed or to further his or her education and only to the extent such amounts are not reimbursed. The amount deducted shall reflect reasonable charges for child care, and, in the case of child care necessary to permit employment, the amount deducted shall not exceed the amount of income received from such employment. **The reasonable amount of charges is determined by the HA, by conducting surveys of local child care providers.** The results are posted in the HA office(s).

#### Note:

If the Total Annual Income less the above allowances result in a rent that is less than the established minimum rent, the resident rent will be established at the HA established minimum rent.

2. ADULT - An adult is a person who has reached his/her 19th birthday or 18 years of age and

married (not common law), or who has been relieved of the disability of non-age by the juvenile court. Only persons who are adults shall be eligible to enter into a lease agreement for occupancy.

- 3. <u>BREAK-INS</u> Break-ins mean bona fide attempts at burglary which are reported to the police department and are subject to verification by written police reports furnished by the Tenant(s).
- 4. <u>CEILING/FLAT RENT</u> The method of establishing the reasonable market rental value of units, calculated in accordance with HUD regulations.
- 5. <u>CHILD</u> A member of the family, other than the family head or spouse, who is under 18 years of age.
- 6. CHILD CARE EXPENSES Child Care Expenses are amounts anticipated to be paid by the family for the care of children under thirteen (13) years of age during the period for which Annual Income is computed, but only where such care is necessary to enable a family member to actively seek employment, be gainfully employed or to further his/her education and only to the extent such amounts are not reimbursed. In the case of child care necessary to permit employment, the amount deducted must be verified and reflect reasonable charges and shall not exceed the amount of income received from such employment. The HA will not normally determine child care expenses as necessary when the household contains an additional unemployed adult who is physically capable of caring for the children. An example of an exception may be an unemployed adult that is not capable of caring for a child because of some type of disability and/or handicap. The head of household must document the disability/handicap that prevents the adult from providing child care.
- 7. <u>CHILD CUSTODY</u> An applicant/occupant family who does not have full custody of a child/children may only claim a child as a dependent by the following:
  - A. The applicant/occupant must have primary custody of the child.
  - B. The applicant/occupant must provide sufficient evidence that if the applicant were admitted to public housing the child would reside with the applicant. The same child cannot be claimed by more than one applicant (i.e., counted more than once in order to make two (2) singles eligible).
- 8. CITIZEN A citizen or national of the United States.
- 9. <u>DEPENDENT</u> A member of the family (except foster children **and foster adults**), other than the family head or spouse, who is under 18 years of age, or is a person with a disability, or is a full-time student. An unborn child shall not be considered a dependent.
- 10. <u>DISABLED PERSON</u> (See Handicapped Person)
- 11. <u>DISPLACED FAMILY</u> A person, or family, displaced by governmental action, or whose dwelling has been extensively damaged or destroyed as a result of a disaster declared or

otherwise formally recognized pursuant to Federal disaster relief laws.

- 12. <u>ELDERLY FAMILY</u> A family whose head or spouse or whose sole member is at least sixty-two (62) years of age, or disabled, or handicapped and may include two or more elderly, disabled or handicapped persons living together, or one or more such persons living with another person who is determined to be essential to his or her care and well being.
- 13. <u>ELDERLY PERSON</u> A person who is at least sixty-two (62) years of age.
- 14. <u>EVIDENCE OF CITIZENSHIP OR ELIGIBLE IMMIGRATION STATUS</u> The documents which must be submitted to evidence citizenship or eligible immigration status.
- 15. <u>FAMILIAL STATUS</u> A single pregnant woman and individuals in the process of obtaining custody of any individual who has not attained the age of 18 years are processed for occupancy the same as single persons. Therefore, a single pregnant woman and individuals in the process of obtaining custody of any individual who has not attained the age of 18 years are processed for occupancy the same as a single persons and only entitled to a one bedroom units. Once the child is born and/or the custody is obtained, the family will qualify for a two bedroom unit and authorized to transfer as outlined in the Transfer Section.
- 16. FAMILY The term "family" as used in this policy means:
  - A. Two or more persons related by blood, marriage, or by operation of law. A family with or without children (the temporary absence of a child from the home due to placement in foster care shall not be considered in determining family composition and family size); who live regularly together as a single household in the dwelling unit. By definition, a family must contain a competent adult of at least 19 years of age or 18 years of age and married (not common law) to enter into a contract and capable of functioning as the head of the household. If an individual is 18 and qualifies under the definition of family by being married, the head of household and the spouse must be parties to the lease. All adult members of the household must sign the lease. There must be some concept of family living beyond the mere sharing or intention to share housing accommodations by two or more persons to constitute them as a family within the meaning of this policy. Some recognized and acceptable basis of family relationship must exist as a condition of eligibility.
  - B. An elderly family;
  - C. A near-elderly family;
  - D. A disabled family;
  - E. A displaced family;
  - F. The remaining member of a tenant family; and

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G. A single person who is not elderly or displaced person, or a person with disabilities, or the remaining member of a tenant family.

#### Note:

Housing assistance limitation for single persons. A single person who is not an elderly or displaced person, or a person with disabilities, or the remaining member of a tenant family may not be provided (for public housing and other project-based assistance) a housing unit with two or more bedrooms.

- 17. <u>FOSTER CHILDREN</u> With the prior written consent of the Landlord, a foster child may reside on the premises. The factors considered by the Landlord in determining whether or not consent is granted may include:
  - A. Whether the addition of a new occupant may require a transfer of the family to another unit, and whether such units are available.
  - B. The Landlord's obligation to make reasonable accommodation for handicapped persons.
- 18. <u>FULL-TIME STUDENT</u> A member of a family (other than the head of household or spouse) who is carrying a subject load which is considered full-time for day students under the standards and practices of the educational institution attended. An educational institution includes a vocational school with diploma or certificate program, as well as an institution offering a college degree. Verification will be supplied by the attended educational institution.
- 19. <u>HANDICAPPED ASSISTANCE EXPENSE</u> Reasonable expenses that are anticipated, during the period for which Total Annual Family Income is computed, for attendant care and auxiliary apparatus for a Handicapped or Disabled family member and that are necessary to enable a family member (including the Handicapped or Disabled member) to be employed, provided that the expenses are neither paid to a member of the family nor reimbursed by an outside source.
- 20. <u>HANDICAPPED PERSON AND/OR DISABLED PERSON</u> A person having a physical or mental impairment which:
  - A. Is expected to be of long-continued and indefinite duration,
  - B. Substantially impedes his/her ability to live independently, and
  - C. Is of such a nature that such disability could be improved by more suitable housing conditions.

#### **NOTE:**

All three conditions must be met to qualify as handicapped.

A person who is under a disability as defined in Section 223 of the Social Security Act

(42 U.S.C. 423) or in Section 102(7) of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act (42 USC 6001(7)). or is handicapped as defined below:

- D. Section 223 of the Social Security Act defines disability as:
  - (1) "Inability to engage in any substantial gainful activity by reason of any medically determinable physical or mental impairment which can be expected to result in death or which has lasted or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than twelve (12) months; or
  - (2) in the case of any individual who has attained the age of fifty-five (55) and is blind (within the meaning of "blindness" as defined in Section 416(I)1 of this title), inability by reason of such blindness to engage in substantial gainful activity requiring skills or abilities comparable to those of any gainful activity in which he has previously engaged with some regularity and over a substantial period of time."
- E. Section 102(5) of the Development Disabilities Services and Facilities Construction Amendments of 1970 defines disability as:
  - "A disability attributable to mental retardation, cerebral palsy, epilepsy or another neurological condition of an individual found by the Secretary (of Health and Human Resources) to be closely related to mental retardation or to require treatment similar to that required for mentally retarded individuals, which disability originates before such individual attains age eighteen (18), which has continued or can be expected to continue indefinitely, and which constitutes a substantial handicap to such individual."
- F. No individual shall be considered to be a person with a disability for purposes of eligibility for low income housing solely on the basis of any drug or alcohol dependency.
- 21. <u>HAZARDOUS DUTY PAY</u> Pay to a family member in the Armed Forces away from home and exposed to hostile fire.
- 22. <u>HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD</u> The adult member of the family who is the head of the household for purposes of determining income eligibility and rent. Also, the held of household is primarily responsible and accountable for the family, particularly in regard to lease obligations.
- 23. <u>HOMELESS FAMILY</u> Any individual or family who:
  - A. Lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence;
  - B. Has a primary nighttime residence that is:
    - (1) A supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designed to provide temporary living accommodations (including welfare hotels, congregate shelters, and transitional housing or housing for the mentally ill);
    - (2) An institution that provides a temporary residence for individuals intended to be institutionalized; or
    - (3) A public or private place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular

sleeping accommodation for human beings.

- C. A homeless family does not include:
  - (1) Any individual imprisoned or otherwise detained pursuant to an Act of the Congress or a State Law; or
  - (2) Any individual who is a Single Room Occupant that is not considered substandard housing.
- 24. <u>INCOME EXCLUSIONS</u> Annual Income does not include such temporary, non-recurring or sporadic income as the following:
  - A. Casual, sporadic, temporary, nonrecurring income, including gifts.
  - B. Amounts that are specifically received from, or are a reimbursement of, the cost of illness or medical care.
  - C. Lump-sum additions to family assets, such as, but not necessarily limited to, inheritances, insurance payments, including payments under health and accident insurance and workmen's compensation, capital gains, and settlements for personal or property losses.
  - D. The full amount of student financial assistance paid directly to the student or to the educational institution.
  - E. Relocation payments made pursuant to Title II of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (42 USC 4636).
  - F. The value of the coupon allotments for the purchase of food in excess of the amount actually charged an eligible household pursuant to the Food Stamp Act of 1973 [7 USC 2017(b)].
  - G. Payments received by participants or volunteers in programs pursuant to the Domestic Volunteers Service Act of 1973 [42 USC 5044(g), 5058].
  - H. Income of a live-in aide (as defined in this policy).
  - I. Payments received from the Job Training Partnership Act [29 USC 1552(b)].
  - J. Hazardous Duty Pay for a family member in the Armed Forces away from home and exposed to hostile fire.
  - K. Income from employment of children (including foster children) under the age of eighteen (18).
  - L. Payment received for the care of foster children.

- M. Payments received under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act [43 U.S.C. 1626(a)], or reparation payments made by foreign governments in connection with the Holocaust.
- N. Income derived from certain submarginal land of the United States that is held in trust for certain Indian tribes [25 U.S.C. 459(e)].
- O. Payments or allowances made under the Department of Health and Human Services Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program [42 U.S.C. 8624(f)].
- P. Income derived from the disposition of funds of the Grand River band of Ottawa Indians (Pub.Law 94-540, 90 Stat. 2503-2504).
- Q. The first \$2,000.00 of per capita shares received from judgment funds awarded by the Indian Claims Commission or the Court of Claims (25 U.S.C. 1407-1408), or from funds held in trust for an Indian tribe by the Secretary of Interior [25 U.S.C. 117(b), 1407].
- R. Payments from Programs under Title V of The Older Americans Act of 1965 [42 U.S.C. 3056(f)].
- S. Amounts received under training programs funded by HUD.
- T. Amounts received by a disabled person that are disregarded for a limited time for purposes of Supplemental Security Income eligibility and benefits because they are set aside for use under a Plan to Attain Self-Sufficiency (PASS).
- U. Amounts received by a participant in other publicly assisted programs which are specifically for, or in reimbursement of, out-of-pocket expenses incurred (special equipment, clothing, transportation, child care, etc.) and which are made solely to allow participation in a specific program.
- V. For taxable years after December 31, 1990, the earned income tax credit refund. Effective Date: July 25, 1994.
- W. The earnings and benefits to any resident resulting from the participation in a program providing employment training and supportive services in accordance with the Family Support Act of 1988, section 22 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937, or any comparable Federal, State, or local law during the exclusion period. For purposes of this paragraph, the following definitions apply:

Comparable Federal, State or Local Law means a program providing employment training and supportive services that:

- (1) Are authorized by a federal, state or local law;
- (2) Are funded by federal, state or local government;
- (3) Are operated or administered by a public agency;

(4) Has as its objective to assist participants in acquiring job skills.

Exclusion period means the period during which the resident participates in a program described in this section, plus 18 months from the date the resident begins the first job acquired by the resident after completion of such program that is not funded by public housing assistance under the U.S. Housing Act of 1937. If the resident is terminated from employment without good cause, the exclusion period shall end.

Earnings and benefits means the incremental earnings and benefits resulting from a qualifying employment training program or subsequent job.

This provision does not apply to residents participating in the Family Self-Sufficiency Program who are utilizing the escrow account. Also, residents are required to pay the appropriate minimum rent.

- X. A resident service stipend. A resident service stipend is a modest amount (not to exceed \$200 per month) received by a public housing resident for performing a service for the HA, on a part-time basis, that enhances the quality of life in public housing. Such services may include, but are not limited to, fire patrol, hall monitoring, lawn maintenance, and resident initiatives coordination. No Resident may receive more than one such stipend during the same period of time.
- Y. Compensation from State or local employment training programs and training of a family member as resident Management staff. Amounts excluded by this provision must be received under employment training programs with clearly defined goals and objectives, and are excluded only for a limited period as determined in advance by the HA.
- Z. For all initial determinations and reexaminations of income carried out on or after April 23, 1993, reparation payments paid by a foreign government pursuant to claims filed under the laws of that government by persons who were persecuted during the Nazi era.
- AA. Earning in excess of \$480 for each full-time student 18 years old or older (excluding the head of household and spouse).
- BB. Adoption assistance payments in excess of \$480 per adopted child.
- CC. Deferred periodic payments of supplemental security income and social security benefits that are received in a lump sum payment received on or after October 28, 1992.
- DD. Amounts received by the family in the form of refunds or rebates under state or local law for property taxes paid on the dwelling unit.
- EE. Amounts paid by a State agency to a family with a developmentally disabled family member living at home to offset the cost of services and equipment needed to keep the developmentally disabled family member at home.

- 25. INFANT A child under the age of two years.
- 26. <u>INTERIM REDETERMINATION OF RENT</u> Changes of rent between admissions and reexaminations and the next succeeding reexamination.
- 27. INS The U. S. Immigration and Naturalization Service.
- 28. <u>LIVE-IN AIDE</u> A person who resides with an Elderly, Disabled, or Handicapped person or persons and who:
  - A. Is determined by the HA to be essential to the care and well-being of the person(s)
  - B. Is not obligated for support of the person(s)
  - C. Would not be living in the unit except to provide supportive services. The income of a Live-in-aide that meets these requirements is not included as income to the tenant family. A Live-in Aide must be approved, in advance, by the HA and meet eligibility requirements for public housing occupancy.
- 29. <u>LOWER INCOME FAMILY</u> A family whose Annual Income does not exceed eighty percent (80%) of the median income for the area, as determined by HUD.
- 30. <u>MEDICAL EXPENSE</u> Those necessary medical expenses, including medical insurance premiums, that are anticipated during the period for which Annual Income is computed, and that are not covered by insurance. Medical expenses, in excess of three percent (3%) of Annual Income, are deductible from income by elderly families only.
- 31. <u>MILITARY SERVICE</u> Military Service means the active military service of the United States, which includes the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and, since July 29, 1945, the commissioned corps of the United States Public Health Service.
- 32. <u>MINIMUM RENT:</u> Families assisted under the Public Housing program pay a monthly "minimum rent" of not more than \$50.00 per month. The HA has the discretion to establish the "minimum rent" from \$0 up to \$50.00. The minimum rent established by this HA is \$50.00.
- 33. <u>MINOR</u> A "minor" is a person under nineteen years of age. Provided, that a married person 18 years of age or older shall be considered to be of the age of majority. (An unborn child may not be counted as a minor.)
- 34. <u>MIXED FAMILY</u> A family whose members include those with citizenship or eligible immigration status, and those without citizenship or eligible immigration status.
- 35. MONTHLY ADJUSTED INCOME One-twelfth of Adjusted Annual Income.
- 36. <u>MONTHLY INCOME</u> One twelfth of Annual Income. For purpose of determining priorities based on an applicant's rent as a percentage of family income, family income is the same as

- monthly income.
- 37. <u>NATIONAL</u> A person who owes permanent allegiance to the united States, for example, as a result of birth in a United States territory or possession.
- 38. <u>NEAR ELDERLY</u> A family whose head or spouse or "sole member" is at least fifty years of age, but below the age of sixty-two.
- 39. NET FAMILY ASSETS - Net Family Assets means the net cash value after deducting reasonable costs that would be incurred in disposing of real property, checking and savings accounts, stocks, bonds, cash on hand, and other forms of capital investment, excluding interests in Indian trust land and excluding equity accounts in HUD home ownership programs. The value of necessary items of personal property such as furniture and automobiles shall be excluded. (In cases where a trust fund has been established and the trust is not revocable by, or under control of, any member of the family or household, the value of the trust fund will not be considered an asset so long as the fund continues to be held in trust. Any income distributed from the trust fund shall be counted when determining Annual Income.) In determining Net Family Assets, this HA shall include the value of any business or family assets disposed of by an applicant or Tenant for less than fair market value (including a disposition in trust, but not in a foreclosure or bankruptcy sale) during the two (2) years preceding the date of application for the program or reexamination, as applicable, in excess of the consideration received therefor. In the case of a disposition as part of a separation or divorce settlement, the disposition will not be considered to be for less than fair market value if the applicant or Tenant receives important consideration not measurable in dollar terms.
- 40. NONCITIZEN A person who is neither a citizen nor national of the United States.
- 41. <u>PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCY (HA)</u> Any State, County, Municipality or other government entity or public body (or agency or instrumentality thereof) that is authorized to engage in or assist in the development of operation of housing for lower income families.
- 42. <u>RECERTIFICATION</u> Recertification is sometimes called reexamination. The process of securing documentation which indicates that tenants meet the eligibility requirements for continued occupancy.
- 43. <u>RE-EXAMINATION DATE</u> The date on which any rent change is effective or would be effective if required as a result of the annual re-examination of eligibility and rent. The re-examination date is the anniversary of the move-in date.
- 44. <u>REMAINING MEMBER OF THE RESIDENT FAMILY</u> The person(s) of legal age remaining in the public housing unit after the person(s) who signed the lease has (have) left the premises, other than by eviction, who may or may not normally qualify for assistance on their own circumstances. **An individual must occupy the public housing unit to which he claims head of household status for one year before becoming eligible for subsidized housing as a remaining family member.** This person must complete forms necessary for housing within ten days from the departure of the leaseholder and may remain in the unit for a reasonable

time pending the verification and grievance process. This person must, upon satisfactory completion of the verification process, then execute a new lease and cure any monetary obligations in order to remain in the unit.

Any person who claims him or herself as a remaining member shall, in the event that the HA declares him or her ineligible for remaining member status, be entitled to the grievance process upon notice to him or her that he or she is not considered to be a remaining member of the household. This grievance process must be requested in writing within ten days from the date of the departure of the head of household by the person requesting remaining member status. In the interim time between the time of the request for the grievance process and the decision by the hearing officer, all rent which was due pursuant to the lease, shall be deposited into an escrow account with the HA under the same provisions as those relating to tenants requesting a grievance hearing relating to rent under the grievance process. The HA does not recognize the person as a tenant by giving him or her the opportunity for a grievance hearing. A remaining member shall not be considered to be a tenant until such time as a new lease is executed by the HA and the person granted tenant status after the verification status.

- 45. <u>SINGLE PERSON</u> A person who lives alone, or intends to live alone, and who does not qualify as an elderly family, or a displaced person, or as the remaining member of a Tenant family.
- 46. SPOUSE A spouse is the legal husband or wife of the head of the household.
- 47. <u>STANDARD PERMANENT REPLACEMENT HOUSING</u> Is housing
  - A. That is decent, safe, and sanitary;
  - B. That is adequate for the family size; and
  - C. That the family is occupying pursuant to a lease or occupancy agreement.

# Note:

Such housing does not include transient facilities, such as motels, hotels, or temporary shelters for victims of domestic violence or homeless families, and in the case of domestic violence, does not include the housing unit in which the applicant and the applicant's spouse or other member of the household who engages in such violence live.

- 48. SUBSTANDARD HOUSING A unit is substandard if it:
  - A. Is dilapidated;
  - B. Does not have operable indoor plumbing;
  - C. Does not have a usable flush toilet inside the unit for the exclusive use of a family;
  - D. Does not have a usable bathtub or shower inside the unit for the exclusive use of a family;

- E. Does not have electricity, or has inadequate or unsafe electrical service;
- F. Does not have a safe or adequate source of heat;
- G. Should, but does not, have a kitchen; or
- H. Has been declared unfit for habitation by an agency or unit of government.

A housing unit is dilapidated if it does not provide safe and adequate shelter, and in its present condition endangers the health, safety, or well-being of a family, or it has one or more critical defects, or a combination of intermediate defects in sufficient number or extent to require considerable repair or rebuilding. The defects may involve original construction, or they may result from continued neglect or lack of repair or from serious damage to the structure.

An applicant who is a "homeless family" is living in substandard housing. For purposes of the preceding sentence, a "homeless family" includes any individual or family who:

- (1) Lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence; and
- (2) Has a primary nighttime residence that is:
  - (a) A supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designed to provide temporary living accommodations (including welfare hotels, congregate shelters, and transitional housing programs);
  - (b) An institution that provides a temporary residence for individuals intended to be institutionalized; or
  - © A public or private place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.

A "homeless family" does not include any individual imprisoned or otherwise detained pursuant to an Act of the Congress or a State law.

Single Room Occupancy (SRO) Housing (as defined in § 882.102 of the CFR) is not substandard solely because it does not contain sanitary or food preparation facilities (or both).

- 49. <u>TEMPORARILY ABSENT FAMILY MEMBERS</u> Any person(s) on the lease that is not living in the household for a period of more that thirty (30) days is considered temporarily absent.
- 50. <u>TENANT RENT</u> The amount payable monthly by the Family as rent to the HA. Where all utilities (gas, water and electricity) are supplied by the HA, Tenant Rent equals Total Tenant Payment or minimum rent. Where some or all utilities (gas, water and electricity) are not supplied by the HA and the cost thereof is not included in the amount paid as rent, Tenant Rent equals Total Tenant Payment or minimum rent less the utility allowance. Telephone and cable television service is not a utility.

The monthly rent that is payable by the tenant must be paid in full, no partial payments will be accepted.

51. <u>TOTAL ANNUAL FAMILY INCOME</u> - Total Annual Family Income is the anticipated total income from all sources received by the family head and spouse (even if temporarily absent) and by each additional member of the family, including all net income derived from assets, for the 12-month period following the effective date of initial determination or re-examination of income, exclusive of certain other types of income specified in this policy.

Total Annual Family Income **includes**, but is not limited to, the following:

- A. The full amount, before any payroll deduction, of wages and salaries, and overtime pay, including compensation for personal services (such as commissions, fees, tips and bonuses);
- B. Net income from the operation of a business or profession. (Expenditures for business expansion or amortization of capital indebtedness shall not be used as deductions in determining Net Income.) An allowance for depreciation of assets used in a business or profession may be deducted, based on straight line depreciation, as provided in Internal Revenue Service regulations. Any withdrawal of cash or other assets from the operation of a business or profession will be included in income, except to the extent the withdrawal is reimbursement of cash or assets invested in the operation by the family.
- C. Interest, dividends and other net income of any kind from real or personal property. (For this purpose, expenditures for amortization of capital indebtedness and an allowance for depreciation of capital assets shall not be deducted to determine the net income from real or personal property). All allowance for depreciation is permitted only as authorized in Paragraph B of this section. Any withdrawal of cash or assets from an investment will be included in income, except to the extent the withdrawal is reimbursement of cash or assets invested by the family. Where the family has Net Family Assets in excess of \$5,000.00, Annual Income shall include the greater of the actual income derived from all Net Family Assets or a percentage of the value of such assets based on the current passbook savings rate as determined by HUD;
- D. The full amount of periodic payments received from social security, annuities, insurance policies, retirement funds, pensions, disability or death benefit and other similar types of periodic receipts, including a lump sum payment for the delayed start of a periodic payment; (Excluding Lump Sum Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Lump Sum Social Security Benefits (SS))
- E. Payments in lieu of earnings, such as unemployment and disability compensation, social security benefits, workmen's compensation and severance pay, but see Paragraph 25-C in this section.
- F. Welfare assistance. If the welfare assistance payment includes an amount specifically

designated for shelter and utilities that are subject to adjustment by the welfare assistance agency in accordance with the actual cost of shelter and utilities, the amount of welfare assistance income to be included as income shall consist of:

- (1) The amount of the allowance or grant exclusive of the amount specifically designated for shelter or utilities, plus
- (2) The maximum amount that the welfare assistance agency could in fact allow the family for shelter and utilities. If the families' welfare assistance is ratably reduced from the standard of need by applying a percentage, the amount calculated under this paragraph shall be the amount resulting from one application of the percentage;
- G. Periodic and determinable allowances, such as alimony, child support payments, and regular contributions or gifts, including amounts received from any persons not residing in the dwelling. If the payments actually received are different than the determined amount, rent can be adjusted in accordance with Section III D of the dwelling lease.
- H. All regular pay, special payments and allowances (such as longevity, overseas duty, rental allowances for dependents, etc.) received by a member of the Armed Forces (whether or not living in the dwelling) who is head of the family, spouse, or other family member whose dependents are residing in the unit (but see "hazardous duty pay")
- I. Payments to the head of the household for support of a minor or payments nominally to a minor for his support but controlled for his benefit by the head of the household or a resident family member other than the head, who is responsible for his support;
- J. Veterans Administration compensation (Service Connected Disability or Death Benefits); and

# Note:

If it is not feasible to anticipate a level of income over a 12-month period, the income anticipated for a shorter period may be annualized, subject to a redetermination at the end of the shorter period.

Tenants that receive lump-sum payments that are included as income and fall in the categories listed above, (*Excluding Lump Sum Supplemental Security Income* (SSI) and Lump Sum Social Security Benefits (SS)), must report the income to the Housing Manager as soon as possible but no later that ten (10) calendar days after receipt of the funds and the applicable portion of the payment that is due as back rent is due fourteen (14) days after the HA notifies the family of the amount due.

**Unreported Income**: If a tenant fails to report income the tenancy will be terminated under the terms of the HA's lease. If the act is determined by the HA to be intentional, the tenant will be obligated to pay the applicable portion of the rent for any and all unreported income. If the unreported income was an unintentional by the tenant the tenant will be billed for the amount due the HA and the amount will be payable within fourteen (14) days. If the payment cannot be made in one payment, the tenant may

request the HA to approve a repayment schedule. Any repayment agreement must be in writing and signed by the Tenant and a HA representative.

- 52 <u>TOTAL TENANT PAYMENT (TTP):</u> The TTP for families participating in the Public Housing program must be at least \$50.00, which is the minimum rent established by the HA.
  - A. For the Public Housing Program, the TTP must be the greater of:
    - (1) 30 percent of family monthly adjusted income;
    - (2) 10 percent of family monthly income;
    - (3) \$50.00, which is the minimum rent set by the HA, or
  - B. The ceiling/flat rent. The resident may elect the ceiling/flat rent in leu of the rent calculated in paragraph "A," above.

It is possible for Public Housing tenants to qualify for a utility reimbursement despite the requirement of a minimum rent. For example, if a Public Housing family's TTP is the minimum rent of \$50 and the HA's utility allowance for the size and type unit the family has selected is \$60, the family would receive a utility reimbursement of \$10 (\$60 less \$50) for tenant purchased utilities.

- 53. UTILITIES Utilities may include water, electricity, gas, garbage, and sewage services.
- 54. <u>UTILITY ALLOWANCE</u> The cost of utilities (except telephone) and other housing services for an assisted unit is not included in the Tenant rent, but is the responsibility of the family occupying the unit; the utility allowance is an amount equal to the estimate made or approved by the HA or HUD of the monthly cost of a reasonable consumption of such utilities and other services for the unit by an energy-conservative household of modest circumstances consistent with the requirements of a safe, sanitary and healthful living environment. The family pays directly for utilities and services. The amount of the allowance is deducted from the gross rent in determining the contract rent and is included in the gross family contribution.
- 55. <u>UTILITY REIMBURSEMENT PAYMENT</u> Utility Reimbursement Payment is the amount, if any, by which the Utility Allowance for the unit exceeds the Total Tenant Payment for the family occupying the unit.
- 56. <u>VERY LOW-INCOME FAMILY</u> A Very Low Income Family means a family whose annual income does not exceed fifty (50%) percent of the median income for the area, as determined by HUD, with adjustments for smaller and larger families. HUD may establish income limits higher or lower than 50 percent of the median income for the area on the basis of its finding that such variations are necessary because of unusually high or low family incomes.
- 57. <u>WAGE EARNER</u> A person in a gainful activity who receives any wages. Said wages or pay covers all types of employee compensation including salaries, vacation allowances, tips, bonuses, commissions and unemployment compensation. The terms "Wage Earner" and "Worker" are used interchangeably.

58. <u>WELFARE ASSISTANCE</u> - Welfare or other payments to families or individuals, based on need, that are made under programs funded, separately or jointly, by Federal, State or local governments.

#### SECTION V. APPLYING FOR ADMISSION

1. <u>How to Apply</u>: - Families wishing to apply for Public Housing shall complete an application for public housing assistance.

Applications will be accepted at the following location(s):604 Dumont St., Chickasaw, Alabama.

Applications are taken to compile a waiting list. Due to the demand for housing in the HA's jurisdiction, the HA may take applications on an "open enrollment" basis, depending on the length of the waiting list.

Completed applications will be accepted for all applicants and the information will be verified by the HA.

Applications must be made in person at the HA during specified dates and business hours posted at the HA's Office.

The application must be dated, time-stamped, at the HA's office where tenant selection and assignment is processed.

Individuals who have a physical impairment which would prevent them from completing an application in person may call the HA to make special arrangements to complete their application. A Telecommunication Device for the Deaf (TDD) is available for the deaf. If the applicant is visually impaired, all notices must be in a format understandable by applicant.

# 2. Closing of Application Taking:

If the HA is taking applications, the HA may suspend the taking of applications if the waiting list is such that additional applicants would not be able to occupy a public housing unit within the next 12 month period. Application taking may be suspended by bedroom size, if applicable. The HA will make known to the public through publication in a newspaper of general circulation, minority media, and other suitable means the fact that applications for public housing units are being suspended.

To reach persons who cannot read the newspapers, the HA will distribute fact sheets to the broadcasting media. Personal contacts with the news media and with community service personnel, as well as public service announcements, will be made.

3. Opening of Application Taking: When the HA decides to start taking applications, the waiting

list may be opened by bedroom size.

The HA will utilize the following procedures:

The HA will make known to the public through publication in a newspaper of general circulation, minority media, and other suitable means the availability and nature of housing assistance for eligible families.

The Notice must contain the following:

- A. The HA will publish the date applications will be accepted and the location where applications can be completed.
  - If the HA anticipates suspending the taking of applications after a period of time, the date of acceptance and closing of applications must be published.
- B. Advise families that applications will be taken at the designated office;
- C. Briefly describe the Public Housing program; and
- D. To reach persons who cannot read the newspapers, the HA will distribute fact sheets to the broadcasting media. Personal contacts with the news media and with community service personnel, as well as public service announcements, will be made.
- 4. <u>Application Period (Dates):</u> The application taking closing date may be determined administratively at the same time that the HA determines to open enrollment. The open enrollment period shall be long enough to allow enough applicants as required by the projected turnover and the number of public housing vacancies.

#### SECTION VI. MISSED APPOINTMENTS

An applicant or tenant who fails to keep an appointment without notifying the HA and without rescheduling the appointment shall be sent a notice of termination of the process for failure to supply such certification, release of information or documentation as the HA or HUD determines to be necessary (or failure to allow the HA to inspect the dwelling unit at reasonable times and after reasonable notice, if applicable) in the following situations:

- · Complete Application
- · Bringing in Verification Information
- · Briefing prior to Occupancy
- Leasing Signature
- Inspections
- Recertification
- · Interim Adjustment
- Other Appointments or Requirements to Bring in Documentation as Listed in this Plan
- · Scheduled Counseling Sessions
- · Move-In appointments

<u>Process When Appointment(s) Are Missed:</u> - For most of the functions above, the family may be given two appointments.

If the family does not appear or call to reschedule the appointment(s) required, the HA may begin termination procedures. The applicant or tenant will be given an opportunity for an informal meeting or hearing, as appropriate pursuant to the grievance process.

If the representative of the HA and/or Hearing Officer makes a determination in favor of the applicant/tenant, the HA will comply with decision unless the provisions of Section VI of the Grievance Procedure is applicable to the hearing officers decision.

<u>Letters Mailed to Applicants by the HA:</u> - If an applicant claims they did not receive a letter mailed by the HA, that requested the applicant to provide information or to attend an interview, the HA will determine whether the letter was returned to the HA. If the letter was not returned to the HA, the applicant will be assumed to have received the letter.

If the letter was returned to the HA and the applicant can provide evidence that they were living at the address to which the letter was sent, the applicant will be reinstated with the date and time of the application in effect at the time the letter was sent.

Applicants must notify the HA, in writing, if their address changes during the application process.

#### SECTION VII. MISREPRESENTATION BY THE APPLICANT OR TENANT

If an applicant or tenant is found to have made willful misrepresentations at any time which resulted in the applicant or tenant being classified as eligible, when, in fact, they were ineligible, applicant will be declared ineligible and the lease and/or application will be terminated because of the misrepresentation by the applicant/tenant. If such misrepresentation resulted in tenant paying a lower rent than was appropriate, tenant shall be required to pay the difference between the actual payments and the amount which should have been paid. In justifiable instances, the HA may take such other actions as it deems appropriate, including referring the tenant to the proper authorities for possible criminal prosecution.

#### SECTION VIII. ADMISSION ELIGIBILITY AND CRITERIA:

- 1. All families who are admitted to the Public Housing Program in the HA must be individually determined eligible under the terms of this plan. In order to be determined eligible, an applicant family must meet **all** of the following requirements:
  - A. The applicant family must qualify as a family as defined in the Definitions Section.
  - B. The applicant family's Total Annual Family Income as defined in the Definitions Section, must not exceed income limits established by HUD for Public Housing.

- C. Head of Household must be 19 years of age or older or 18 years old and married (not common law) or a person that has been relieved of the disability of non-age by court action (sometimes referred to as Majority papers).
- 2. Sources of information for eligibility determination may include, but are not limited to, the applicant (by means of interviews or home visits), landlords, employers, family social workers, parole officers, court records, drug treatment centers, clinics, physicians or police departments where warranted by the particular circumstances. Information relative to the acceptance or rejection of an applicant shall be documented and placed in the applicant's file. Such documentation may include reports of interviews, letters, or telephone conversations with reliable sources. As a minimum, such reports shall indicate the date, the source of the information, including the name and title of the individual contacted, and a resume of the information received.

Applicants are not automatically determined eligible to receive federal assistance. An applicant will not be placed on a waiting list if the applicant's annual family income exceeds the Low and Very Low Income Limits established by HUD and published in the Federal Register, the applicant will be declared ineligible.

- 3. If the applicant has failed to meet any outstanding requirements for eligibility and is determined ineligible, he/she will be so informed and the reasons stated in writing. The applicant will be granted **ten days** from the date stated on the ineligible letter to request an informal meeting. The applicant may bring any person he/she wishes to represent them at the informal meeting. The request for an informal meeting may be submitted in writing and/or the request may be verbal. However, the request must be received by the HA within the time frame established by the HA for the meeting.
- 4. In addition, the HA is permitted to determine as eligible, single persons living alone or intending to live alone who do not meet any of the definitions of a family, if the HA makes certain that all three of the following requirements are met:
  - A. Elderly families (including Disabled Persons and Handicapped Persons) and Displaced Persons are given preference over single persons, and
  - B. Near Elderly (at least fifty years of age, but below the age of 62) are given preference over single applicants in developments designated for the elderly, and
  - C. Single persons are only eligible for one bedroom and/or efficiency units.
- 5. Declaration of Citizenship: The HA may not provide assistance to nor make financial assistance available to a person other than United States citizens, nationals, or certain categories of eligible noncitizen in HUD's assisted housing programs.
- 6. Once an applicant becomes a tenant in the HA's public housing program, the head of household must request permission to add another person to the dwelling lease. The person being added must meet all eligibility requirements before the HA will approve any addition to the dwelling lease.

#### SECTION IX. VERIFICATION AND DOCUMENTATION

Families are required to provide Social Security Numbers (SSN) for all family members age 6 and older prior to admission, if they have been issued SSN by the Social Security Administration. All members of the family defined above must either:

- 1. Submit SSN documentation; or
- 2. Sign a certification if they have not been assigned a SSN. If the individual is under 18, the certification must be executed by his or her parent or guardian. If the participant who has signed a certification form obtains a SSN, it must be disclosed at the next regularly scheduled reexamination, or next rent change.

Verification will be done through the providing of a valid Social Security card issued by the Social Security Administration.

The HA will accept copies of the Social Security card only when it is necessary for the HA to verify by mail the continuing eligibility of participant families.

If an applicant or tenant cannot provide his or her Social Security card, other documents listed below showing his or her Social Security Number **may**, at the HA's discretion, be used for verification. He or she **may** be required by the HA to provide one or more of the following alternative documents to verify his or her SSN, <u>until a valid Social Security card can be provided</u>;

#### These documents include:

- · Drivers license, that displays the SSN.
- · Identification card issued by a Federal, State or local agency
- · Identification card issued by an employer or trade union
- · Identification card issued by a medical insurance company
- Earnings statements or payroll stubs
- · Bank statements
- · IRS Form 1099 or W-2 Form
- · Benefit award letters from government agencies
- Medicaid Cards
- · Unemployment benefit letter
- · Retirement benefit letter
- · Life insurance policies
- · Court records such as real estate, tax notices, marriage and divorce, judgment or bankruptcy records
- · Verification of Social Security benefits with the Social Security Administration

If the HA verifies Social Security benefits with the Social Security Administration, the acceptance of the SSN by the Social Security Administration may be considered documentation

of its validity.

- 3. Employer Identification Number (EIN).
- 4. Applicants may not become residents until the documentation is provided and verified. The applicant will retain their position on the waiting list during this period. The applicant will be given a reasonable time, subject to the circumstances, to furnish the documentation before losing their place on the waiting list and the time may be extended, if such circumstances requires an extension. The decision will be made by a HA representative and documented, in writing, and placed in the applicant's file.

Additional documentation that may be required in determining eligibility:

- Temporary Assistance To Needy Families (TANF)
- Birth Certificate, or Drivers License that displays the date of Birth and/or form (s) that are issued by a Federal, State, City or County Agency that displays the date of Birth.
- · Child Care Verification
- · Credit References (History)
- · Credit Bureau Reports
- · Employer's Verification
- Landlord Verification
- · Social Security Benefits
- · Assets Verification
- Bank Accounts: Checking Accounts \$500 + Balance Saving Accounts \$100 + Balance
- 5. Marriage Certificate: If a marriage certificate is not available the following information is acceptable:
  - Drivers License that displays the same address and last names
  - Federal Tax Forms that indicate that the family filed taxes as a married couple during the last tax reporting period.
  - Other acceptable forms of documentation of marriage would include any document that has been issued by a Federal, State, City of County Government and indicates that the individuals are living as a married couple. Couples that are considered married under common law can provide the same information, as listed above, to document that they are living together as a married couple.
  - The couple also certifies in their application for housing that they are married.
- 6. Personal References: Personal references (not family) may be used when an applicant cannot produce prior rental history records.
- 7. Supplemental Social Security Income (SSI) Benefits
- 8. Unemployment Compensation
- 9. VA Benefits

- 10. Any other reasonable information needed to determine eligibility may be requested by the HA, which may include police reports.
- 11. Separation means the ending of co-habitation by mutual agreement. *If an applicant is divorced\* or separated and has children by that spouse, applicant must provide at least one of the verifications listed below:* 
  - A. A <u>FINAL</u> divorce decree. \*(Applies to individuals who are divorced and are not separated and is the only documentation accepted for individuals that are divorced)
  - B. Receiving court-ordered child support from former spouse.
  - C. Verification that applicant is pursuing child support through Department of Human Resources, Child Support Unit or Circuit Clerks Office.
  - D. If applicant is receiving personal child support, then applicant can make arrangements to have the child support paid through the court system, either through the circuit clerks office, Department of Human Resources, or through a court referee.
  - E. Receiving TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) through the Department of Human Resources for former spouse's children.
  - F. A notarized statement from <u>current</u> landlord (not family) verifying that the current landlord knows that the applicant and spouse have not lived together for the <u>last</u> six (6) months or more.
  - G. Income tax statements from both husband and wife indicating <u>both</u> <u>filed</u> income taxes separately the last year and that they filed from different addresses.
  - H. (1) Written statement from Lawyer that applicant has filed suit for divorce because of physical abuse. agencies, social services agencies.
    - (2) A written statement from an abuse shelter, law enforcement agency, social service agencies that applicant needs housing due to physical abuse.

Pertaining to 11 H(1) & (2): Applicant will also be required to sign a statement to the effect that the separated person will not be permitted in the resident's apartment or on the resident's property because of the physical abuse situation.

Also, the person involved with physical abuse will be banned from all HA property as long as the applicant lives in assisted housing within the HA property.

- I. Food stamp verification If no other documentation is available.
- 12. If applicant is divorced\* or separated from a person and has no children by that

person, applicant must provide at least one of the verifications listed below:

- A. A final divorce decree. \*(Applies to individuals who are divorced and are not separated and is the only documentation accepted for individuals that are divorced)
- B. A notarized statement from <u>current</u> landlord (not family) verifying that the current landlord knows that the applicant and spouse have not lived together for the <u>last</u> six (6) months or more.
- C. Income tax statements from both husband and wife indicating <u>both filed</u> income taxes separately the last year and that they filed from different addresses.
- D. (1) Written statement from Lawyer that applicant has filed suit for divorce because of physical abuse.
  - (2) A written statement from an abuse shelter, law enforcement agencies, social services agencies that applicant needs housing due to physical abuse.

#### Note:

Pertaining to 12 D(1) & (2): Applicant will also be required to sign a statement to the effect that the separated person will not be permitted in the resident's apartment or on the resident's property because of the physical abuse situation.

Also, the person involved with physical abuse will be banned from all HA property as long as the applicant lives in assisted housing within the HA property.

E. Food Stamp Verification - If no other documentation is available.

## SECTION X. GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OF ADMISSION

- 1. The HA is not required nor obligated to assist families who:
  - A. Owes rent, other amounts, or judgments to any HA or any other federally subsidized housing program, the applicant will be declared ineligible. At the HA's discretion, the applicant may be declared eligible upon payment of debt, with the date and time of application being the time of payment and meeting other criteria.

# Note:

Applicants that owe a HA or any other federally subsidized program funds will not be processed for occupancy. The applicant must pay the funds owed prior to the application being processed. After the application is processed the applicant must meet all other conditions for occupancy. Re-paying funds that are due <u>does not necessarily</u> qualify an applicant for occupancy. Such payments will be considered along with other factors in the application process. Any money owed to a HA which has been discharged by bankruptcy shall not be considered in making this determination.

- B. Have previously been evicted from public housing.
- C. Committed acts which would constitute fraud in connection with any federally assisted housing program.
- D. Did not provide information required within the time frame specified during the application process.
- E. Convicted of drug-related criminal activity or violent criminal activity. The PHA shall prohibit admission to any household that includes any individual who is subject to a lifetime registration requirement under a state sex offender registration program.
- F. Has a history of not meeting financial obligations, especially rent.
- G. Has a record of disturbance of neighbors, destruction of property, or living or housekeeping habits which may adversely affect the health, safety or welfare of the other tenants.
- H. Has a history of criminal activity involving crimes of physical violence to persons or property and other criminal activity which may adversely affect the health, safety or welfare of other tenants.
- I. During the interview process the applicant demonstrates hostile behavior that indicates that the prospective applicant may be a threat to our public housing residents.
- J. The applicant family must have properly completed all application requirements, including verifications. Intentional misrepresentation of income, family composition or any other information affecting eligibility, will result in the family being declared ineligible. In the event the misrepresentation is discovered after admission, the lease will be terminated for such misrepresentation.
- K. The applicant and all adults must sign a release allowing the HA to request a copy of a police report from the National Crime Information Center, Police Department or other Law Enforcement Agencies. If the HA uses the information to deny or terminate assistance the HA must provide a copy of the information used in accordance with Criminal Records Management Policy.
- L. If the applicant is a former Public Housing or Section 8 participant who vacated the unit in violation of his lease, the applicant may be declared ineligible.
- M. If the HA determines that a person is illegally using a controlled substance or abuses alcohol in a way that may interfere with the health, safety, or right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises by other residents. The HA may waive this requirement if:
  - (1) The person demonstrates to the HA's satisfaction that the person is no longer engaging in drug-related criminal activity or abuse of alcohol;
  - (2) has successfully completed a supervised drug or alcohol rehabilitation program;

- (3) has otherwise been rehabilitated successfully; or
- (4) is participating in a supervised drug or alcohol rehabilitation program.

The above list is not intended to be all inclusive. Applicants may be denied admission if the HA has reason to believe that the conduct of the applicant has been such as would be likely to interfere with other tenants in such a manner as to diminish their enjoyment of the premises by adversely affecting their health, safety, or welfare or to affect adversely the physical environment or the financial stability of the project if the applicant were admitted to the project.

- 2. If an applicant is denied admission, the HA will notify the applicant, in writing, of its determination and inform the applicant that they have an opportunity for an informal meeting on such determination. The denial letter will allow the applicant ten (10) calendar days to request an informal meeting (verbal and/or in writing) with the HA. A HA representative will hear the appeal and issue a decision within ten (10) calendar days of the meeting.
- 3. As a general rule applicants may be denied admission to Public Housing for the following time frames, which shall begin on the date of application, unless otherwise provided for herein below:
  - A. Denied admission for one (1) year for the following:
    - · Past rental record
    - · Bad rent paying habits
    - · Bad housekeeping habits, in and outside the unit
    - Damages
    - · Disturbances
    - · Live-ins
    - Demonstrates hostile behavior during the interview process that indicates that the applicant may be a threat to our residents.
  - B. Denied admission for three (3) years for the following:
    - Persons evicted from public housing, Indian Housing, Section 8, or Section 23 programs because of drug-related criminal activity are ineligible for admission to public housing for a three-year period beginning on the date of such eviction.
    - The HA can waive this requirement if: the person demonstrates to the HA's satisfaction successful completion of a rehabilitation program approved by the HA, or the circumstances leading to the eviction no longer exist.
  - C. Denied admission for five (5) years for the following:
    - · Fraud (giving false information on the application is considered fraud).
    - An arrest or conviction record that indicates that the applicant may be a threat and/or negative influence on other residents. The five years shall begin on the date of the last reported act, completion of sentence and/or probation period.
    - · Drug use without evidence of rehabilitation.
  - D. Denied admission for ten (10) years for the following:

- Conviction for Drug Trafficking.
- E. Denied admission for life to any household that includes any individual who is subject to a lifetime registration requirement under a state sex offender registration program.
- F. Denied admission for life to any applicant who has been convicted of manufacturing or producing methamphetamine (commonly referred to as "speed") on the premises of the public housing project. Premises is defined as the building or complex in which the dwelling unit is located, including common areas and grounds.

As noted above these time frames are only guidelines and the HA may deny admission to any individual whose behavior may adversely affect the health, safety or welfare of other tenants or may admit persons who exhibit evidence of rehabilitation.

#### SECTION XI. TENANT SELECTION AND ASSIGNMENT PLAN

- 1. <u>Equal Opportunity:</u> The Fair Housing Act makes it illegal to discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status and national origin. This HA shall not deny to any family the opportunity of applying for admission nor shall it deny to any eligible applicant the opportunity of leasing or renting a dwelling suitable to its need in any low-rent project operated by this HA.
- 2. <u>Selection Process:</u> Tenants shall be selected from among eligible applicant families whose family composition is appropriate to available dwelling units. The HA will take into consideration the needs of individual families for low rent housing and the statutory purpose in developing and operating a socially and financially sound low-income housing project, which provides a decent home and a suitable living environment and fosters economic and social diversity in the tenant body as a whole. Selection will be made in such a manner as:
  - A. For every fiscal year, each HA shall reserve a percentage of its new admissions for families whose incomes do not exceed thirty percent of the area median income. The goal for public housing shall be forty percent of new admissions. In reaching the new admissions goals, the HA's are required to avoid concentrating very low income families in projects.
  - B. To maintain a tenant body in each project composed of families with a broad range of income and rent paying ability which is generally representative of the range of incomes of low income families in the HA's area of operation as defined by state law.
- 3. <u>Order of Selection:</u> Applications will be filed in the following hierarchical order:
  - A. Unit size\type needed by applicants

- B. Local Preferences
- C. Date and time of application
- D. Provided, however, the provisions of the deconcentration rule, contained within this policy, shall supercede the selection of applicants based on date and time and local preference points, if applicable, and allow the HA to skip families on the waiting list to accomplish this goal.
- 4. <u>Verification of Preference:</u> At the time of application, initial determinations of an applicant's entitlement to a Local Preference may be made on the basis of an applicant's certification of their qualification for that Local Preference. Before selection is made, this qualification must be verified.

An applicant can reject an offer 1 time before losing their place on the waiting list. If an applicant rejects the 1st offer, the applicant will be notified at that time that due to the fact they refused the offer of assistance, the date and time of their application is being changed to the date and time that they refused the offer. This will be explained verbally and followed-up in writing to the applicant. The HA will notify (verbally and in writing) the applicant that their actions may affect their place on the waiting list, and the next offer of assistance will be made when their name reaches the top of the waiting list.

## SECTION XII. GROUNDS FOR DENIAL AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

If the HA determines that an applicant does not meet the criteria for receiving housing, the HA must promptly provide the applicant with written notice of the determination. The notice must contain a brief statement of the reasons for the determination, and state that the applicant has the right to meet with the HA's designee to review it. If requested within ten (10) days, the meeting must be conducted by a person or persons designated by the HA. The person designated by the HA to conduct the informal hearing shall be an impartial person appointed by the HA other than a person who made the approval of the HA's action under review or a subordinate of such person. The procedures specified in this section must be carried out in accordance with HUD's requirements. The applicant may exercise other rights if the applicant believes that he or she has been discriminated against on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status and national origin.

#### Note:

The HA grievance procedure applies only to residents. It does NOT apply to applicants.

# SECTION XIII. INCOME VERIFICATION AND DOCUMENTATION

- 1. The HA use for verification purposes the following:
  - · "Verification of Employment" for wage earners;
  - · Verification of public assistance for those persons who receive public assistance;
  - Documentation of exceptional medical and/or other expenses (elderly family status);

- Verifications of assets (savings, stocks, bonds, etc.);
- · Birth Certificates; and
- · Other means or sources of income verification.
- 2. Once all of the information is verified the HA shall calculate the monthly rent. Beginning 10/1/1999 the family will be notified of this amount and the amount of the flat rent. The family shall elect, in writing, their choice.

As soon as a determination can be made, applicants will be informed, in writing, by an authorized HA representative that they have been declared eligible or ineligible. Applicants that are determined ineligible will be informed, in writing, of their right to an informal meeting if they believe that such determination is unjust.

The final estimate of Gross Family Income will be made by the HA on the basis of verified information regarding income. Once the HA has determined that an applicant is eligible, then the process of housing the family begins.

There is no minimum income requirement, but the staff should use good interviewing skills to determine whether there is income which is not being reported.

Families may not be required to apply for public assistance, but it may be suggested to them. If the family reports zero income, the HA will have the family sign verification forms to verify that no income is being provided.

Families will be required to report any changes in their income status within ten (10) calendar days of the occurrence of employment and/or any other type of income is received. Families with zero income **may** be requested to recertify more frequently.

## SECTION XIV. ORIENTATION OF FAMILIES

- 1. <u>Briefing</u>: Purpose of the Briefing: The purpose of the briefing is to cover the occupancy requirements for the tenant and the landlord. The briefing is conducted as follows:
  - A. Once the HA determines that an applicant is eligible and the applicant's name reaches the top of the waiting list, the HA shall offer an apartment to the applicant. The applicant shall be given an opportunity to view the apartment prior to the signing of the lease and other documents required before occupancy. After the offer is made and after this viewing, and when the offer is accepted, a HA representative will schedule an appointment with the prospective tenant, for orientation.

An Applicant can reject an offer 1 time before losing their place on the waiting list. If an applicant rejects the 1st offer, the applicant will be notified at that time that due to the fact that they refused the offer of assistance, the date and time of their application is being changed to the date and time that they refused the offer. This will be explained

verbally and followed-up in writing to the applicant. The HA will notify (verbally and in writing) the applicant that their actions may affect their place on the waiting list and the next offer of assistance will be made when their name reaches the top of the waiting list.

- B. The applicable deposit, unearned rent and other charges, (if applicable), will be collected, as soon as possible after the briefing is scheduled, and before the briefing is held.
- C. At the briefing, the Lease and Grievance Procedure is explained in detail to the applicant and/or applicants (there can be more than one family at the briefing.)
- D. The signing of all required occupancy forms is to be privately handled at the end of each briefing.
  - (1) The required occupancy forms are explained at that time and the dwelling lease is signed by the prospective tenant and a HA representative.
  - (2) Appointment for move-in is scheduled at the end of the lease signing at project office.
- 2. <u>Briefing Attendance Requirement</u>: All families (head of household) are required to attend the briefing when they are initially accepted for occupancy. No family can be housed if they have not attended a briefing.

Failure to attend a scheduled briefing (without notice to the HA) will result in the family's application being placed in the inactive file and the family may be required to reapply for assistance. Applicants who provide prior notice of an inability to attend a briefing will be scheduled for the next briefing.

Failure of a applicant to keep a scheduled check-in, without good cause, may result in the cancellation of the occupancy process and the applicant required to reapply for assistance.

- Format of the Briefing: The applicant is provided a copy of the Dwelling Lease and Grievance Procedure and the provisions of the Lease and Grievance Procedure are explained to the Tenant, and the lease specifies the unit to be occupied, family composition, date of admission, the rent to be charged, utility allowances, and the terms of occupancy. If for any reason the family becomes over or under housed they must be informed that once a unit of the appropriate size is available they must move to the appropriate size unit as outlined in Transfers. Also, if there is a change in family composition that caused the family to be over or under housed the family will be required to move to the appropriate size unit when a unit becomes available. The moving date should be within thirty (30) days of the date of the HA's written notification to the affected family. If the HA has more vacancies than families on the waiting list for the unit size of the family that is over housed, the family may remain in the unit until the next scheduled re-exam. However, families that are under housed should be housed in the appropriate size unit as soon as a unit is made available, but not more than thirty days after notice from the HA.
- 4. Dwelling Lease completion:

- A. All adult (19 years of age and older) members of a family eligible for admission to the housing community shall be required to sign the Dwelling Lease prior to admission. One executed copy is to be furnished the tenant and the original executed copy is to be retained in the Tenant file established for the family by the HA. A copy of the Grievance Procedure shall be attached to the Tenant's copy of the Lease.
- B. When a Tenant family transfers to another dwelling, the existing Lease shall be canceled and a new Dwelling Lease executed for the present dwelling.
- C. If at any time during the life of the Dwelling Lease, any other changes in the Tenant's status results in the need to change or amend any provision of the Lease, or if the tenant status changes resulting in a replacement of page one of the Lease, this page shall be completed, signed, and a copy given to the Tenant as the replacement for page one.
- A duplicate form of acknowledgment and understanding which lists all items of which the tenant has been informed shall be signed by the tenant and the HA representative.
   A copy of this form shall be attached to the Tenant's copy of the lease along with copies of items as referred to and a copy maintained in the tenant's file.

# SECTION XV. ANNUAL INSPECTIONS OF PUBLIC HOUSING UNITS

The HA has a system in place that documents the inspection of all public housing units. If the inspection results in a work order the repairs are made in accordance to the urgency of need as documented by the inspection sheet. The HA has a system that tracks each inspection. The inspection sheet used by the HA meets or exceeds the requirements of the Section 8 Housing Quality Standards (HQS).

# SECTION XVI. INSPECTION AND ENTRY OF UNIT PROCEDURES

The tenant will be given notice as outlined in the Dwelling Lease, **except for emergencies/search warrants**, that the unit will be inspected. The notification will indicate the date and the approximate time of the inspection. If the inspection indicates that the tenant has poor housekeeping habits that need to be improved upon, the inspector will file a report and the Project Manager will schedule a meeting with the tenant to counsel the tenant on their poor housekeeping habits. A follow-up inspection will be conducted by the Manager within 30-days of the counseling session and if the problem continues to exist the Manager may take whatever action that is necessary to correct the situation. If the tenant fails to improve, the provisions of the dwelling lease can be enforced and the tenant evicted. However, the Manager should take steps to help the tenant improve before starting the eviction process.

If the inspection indicates that the tenant has created damage that is beyond normal wear and tear, the damaged items will be replaced and the tenant billed for the damages, as posted. If the damage is severe, a report will be provided to the Manager and the Manager will take appropriate action with the tenant.

HA staff and/or agents of the HA have authority to enter any unit if it is suspected that an "Emergency" situation exists. If for any reason a unit is entered by authorized HA personnel the tenant will be

provided with the reason for the entry, by leaving a written notice of the time, date and reason for the entry.

HA staff and/or agents of the HA, at the direction of the Police will open the door to a unit when law-enforcement officials present a lawfully executed search warrant (plus, provide a copy of the search warrant to HA staff) for a dwelling unit managed by the HA. HA staff and/or its agents will write down the name(s) of the Police Officers and keep the copy of the search warrant. These documents will be filed in the residents file folder. HA staff will not enter the unit. This action will prevent the law enforcement officers from having to breakdown the door and causing damages to the unit.

# SECTION XVII. TYPES OF INSPECTIONS:

An authorized representative of this HA, tenant and/or adult family member, shall be obligated to inspect the premises prior to commencement of occupancy. A written statement of condition of the premises and all equipment will be provided, and same shall be signed by both parties with a copy retained in tenant's file. The HA representative shall inspect the premises at the time the tenant vacates and furnish a statement of any charges to be made provided the tenant turns in the proper notice under state law and requests the proper inspection. The tenant shall be provided an opportunity to participate in a move out inspection, unless tenant vacates without notice. The tenant's security deposit can be used to offset against any tenant damages to the unit.

1. <u>Move-in Inspections</u>: - Performed with the resident at move-in and inspection documented by HA on inspection form and signed by the tenant. This inspection documents the condition of the unit at move-in.

## Note:

Any adult member of the household is allowed to sign the inspection form for the Head of Household.

- 2. <u>Move-out Inspections</u>: Performed with tenant, if possible, and documented by HA on inspection form and signed by the tenant, if present. This inspection determines if the tenant is responsible for any damages and owes the HA funds. Any deposit will be used to offset the funds due the HA.
- 3. <u>Annual Inspections</u>: The HA inspects 100% of its units annually using standards that meet or exceed Housing Quality Standard (HQS) Inspections.
- 4. <u>Preventive Maintenance (PM) Inspections</u>: PM inspections are performed by HA staff on a regular basis and the residents are given at least two days notice prior to the inspection.
- 5. <u>Project Manager Inspections</u>: The HA representative may perform random home visits to see if the resident is keeping the unit in a decent, safe and sanitary condition. This visit can also be used as an opportunity to get to know the tenant and see if they have any specific needs that we can help them with and/or refer them to a service agency. The tenant will be given at least two days notice, prior to the inspection.

- 6. <u>Special Inspections</u>: Representatives from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and/or other Government Officials visit the HA to monitor operations and as part of the monitoring they will inspect a sampling of the public housing inventory. The affected tenants will be given two days notice.
- 7. <u>Emergency Inspections</u>: If any employee and/or agent of the HA has reason to believe that an emergency exists within the public housing unit, the unit can be entered **without** notice. The person(s) that enters the unit must leave a written notice to the tenant that indicates the date and time the unit was entered and the reason why it was necessary to enter the unit.

# SECTION XVIII. DETERMINATION OF RENT, RE-EXAMINATION OF INCOME AND FAMILY CIRCUMSTANCES

- 1. <u>Determination of Rent:</u> Rent as fixed at admission or annual re-examination will remain in effect for the period between regular rent determinations unless the following changes in family circumstances occur. Also, tenant agrees to report, in writing, and provide certification following any change in annual income within ten (10) calendar days of the occurrence.
  - A. Loss or addition of family composition of any family member through birth, death, divorce, removal of other continuing circumstances and the amount, if any, of family member's income;
  - B. Employment, unemployment, or changes in employment of a permanent nature of the family head, spouse, or other wage earner that is 18 years of age; or
  - C. To correct errors made at admission or reexamination which shall be retroactive to the date of error.
  - D. Temporary employment/unemployment or increases and decreases in wages **"for any reason"** of less than 30 days will not constitute a rent adjustment.
  - E. The HA must lower the rent for a family whose income is reduced because of the expiration of a welfare-initiated time limit. This must be reported by the Tenant within ten days from the time of the change of income in accordance with the Dwelling Lease. Provided, however, that if the family's welfare benefits are reduced of a fraudulent act on the part of a family member, the HA is prohibited from reducing the family's rent contribution to reflect the lower benefits income.

# 2. Annual Re-examination:

A. Once each year, or as required by this HA, each family will be required to furnish information in Section III (A) of the Dwelling Lease. Verifications acceptable to the HA shall be obtained and determinations made. In the event of failure or refusal of Tenant to report the necessary information, the HA may terminate the Lease. This

- reexamination shall be done on the move-in anniversary date.
- B. Records shall be maintained to insure every Tenant being reexamined within a twelve month period.
- C. Upon completion of reexamination and verification, Tenant shall be notified, in writing, no later than thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of the following: (A copy of such notification is to be retained in the Tenant's file.)
  - (1) Any change in rent and the date on which it becomes effective.
  - (2) Any change required in the size of dwelling unit occupied.
  - (3) Any instance of misrepresentation or noncompliance with the terms of the Dwelling Lease and the corrective action(s) to be taken.
  - (4) Beginning 10/1/1999 the family will be notified of this amount and the amount of the flat rent. The family shall elect, in writing, their choice.
- D. In the event of change in tenant circumstances tenant will be sent a notice to report to the management office at a specified date and time to execute a new first page of the Lease.
- E. If this HA determines that the size of the premises is no longer appropriate for Tenant's needs the tenant may be required to transfer to another units as outlined in, Transfers.
- 3. <u>Interim Redetermination of Rent</u>: Rent as set at admission or Annual Re-examination will remain in effect for the period between regular rent determinations unless changes in family circumstances occur. Tenant is required and agrees to report, in writing, the following specified changes in family income and composition within ten (10) calendar days of occurrence.
  - A. Loss or addition to family composition of any kind through birth, death, marriage, divorce, removal or other continuing circumstance and the amount, if any, of such family member's income. Any such additions, other than birth, must be approved by the HA in advance, and must qualify, the same as an applicant or any prospective new tenant.
  - B. Employment, unemployment or changes in income for employment of a permanent nature of the family head, spouse, or other wage earner eighteen (18) years of age or older.
  - C. The starting of or stopping of, or an increase or decrease of any benefits or payments received by any member of the family or household from Old Age Pension, Aid for Dependent Children, Black Lung, Railroad Retirement, Private Pension Fund, Disability Compensation, Veterans Administration, Child Support, Alimony, Regular Contributions or Gifts. Lump sum payments or retroactive payments of benefits from any of the above sources which constitute the sum of monthly payments for a preceding period paid in a lump sum must be reported and rent adjusted retroactively on such income to date of eligibility for any family member residing in the household for that period of time.
  - D. Cost of living increases in Social Security or public assistance grants need not be

- reported until next re-examination and redetermination of rent.
- E. Errors of omission made at admission or re-examination shall be corrected by the HA. Retroactive payments will be made to the tenant if the error is in the tenant's favor.
- G. A tenant who has had an income reduction\increase after initial occupancy or after annual re-examination must report all changes in income within ten (10) calendar days regardless of the amount or source.
- 4. <u>Notice of Temporary Rent</u>: On occasions, the HA is required to compute rent based on information that is supplied by the tenant and third party information that has not or will not be provided by the employer. When this situation occurs the HA will compute a temporary rent based on the information available. Once the information is verified the tenant will be notified in writing. If an underpayment was made based on the information provided the tenant will have fourteen (14) days from the date of the HA notification to pay the amount specified. If the tenant has made an overpayment, that amount will be credited to the tenant account. The Head of Household and Spouse (if applicable) and a HA representative signs this Notice of Temporary Rent and it is filed with the dwelling lease and a copy provided to the tenant.

# 5. The effective dates of Interim Redetermination of rent:

- A. Any decrease in rent resulting from any decreases in family income will be made effective the first of the month following the date the decrease in family income was reported and verified in writing.
- B. The tenant agrees to pay any increase in rent resulting from an increase in family income the first of the second month following the date in which such increase in family income occurred, and to pay any back rent due because of failure on the part of the tenant to report such increase in family income.
- C. Any interim change in rent will require reverification of all family income that has not been verified within ninety (90) calendar days of the previous rent determination.
- D. Tenant agrees to pay any increase in rent resulting from the implementation of changes in rent computation or increases due to changes in regulations, policies or procedures requiring implementation by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).
- E. Employment, unemployment or changes in employment of any nature (example, employed but not working due to illness that is not compensated by the Employer) of the family head, spouse or any other wage earner 18 years of age or older.
- F. If it is found that a tenant has misrepresented or failed to report facts upon which rent is based so that the tenant is paying less than the tenant should be paying, the increase in rent shall be made retroactive to the date the increase would have taken effect. The tenant will be required to pay the difference between the rent paid and the amount that should have been paid. In addition, the tenant may be subject to civil and criminal

penalties. Misrepresentation is a serious lease violation which may result in eviction.

- 6. <u>Special Re-examinations</u>: Special reexaminations are pre-scheduled extensions of admission or continued occupancy determinations, and will be considered for the following reasons:
  - A. If it is impossible to determine annual family income accurately due to instability of family income and/or family composition, a temporary determination of income and rent is to be made and a special re-examination shall be scheduled for thirty (30), sixty (60) or ninety (90) days, depending on circumstances. The tenant shall be notified, in writing, of the date of the special re-examination.
  - B. If the family income can be anticipated at the scheduled time, the reexamination shall be completed and appropriate actions taken. If a reasonable anticipation of income cannot be made, another special re-examination shall be prescribed and the same procedure followed as stipulated in the preceding paragraph until a reasonable estimate can be made.
  - C. Rents determined at special re-examinations shall be made effective as noted in this section.

# 7. Minimum Rent Hardship Exemptions:

- A. The HA shall immediately grant an exemption from application of the minimum monthly rent to any family making a proper request in writing who is unable to pay because of financial hardship, which shall include:
  - (1) The family has lost eligibility for, or is awaiting an eligibility determination from a federal, state, or local assistance program, including a family that includes a member who is an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence under the immigration and nationalization act who would be entitled to public benefits but for Title IV of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996.
  - (2) The family would be evicted as a result of the implementation of the minimum rent (this exemption is only applicable for the initial implementation of a minimum rent or increase to the existing minimum rent).
  - (3) The income of the family has decreased because of changed circumstance, including loss of employment.
  - (4) A death in the family has occurred which affects the family circumstances.
  - (5) Other circumstances which may be decided by the HA on a case by case basis.

All of the above must be proven by the Resident providing verifiable information in writing to the HA prior to the rent becoming delinquent and before the lease is terminated by the HA.

B. If a resident requests a hardship exemption (**prior to the rent being delinquent**) under this section, and the HA reasonably determines the hardship to be of a temporary nature, exemption shall not be granted during a ninety day period beginning upon the making of the request for the exemption. A resident may not be evicted during the

ninety day period for non-payment of rent. In such a case, if the resident thereafter demonstrates that the financial hardship is of a long term basis, the HA shall retroactively exempt the resident from the applicability of the minimum rent requirement for such ninety day period. This Paragraph does not prohibit the HA from taking eviction action for other violations of the lease.

- 8. <u>Reduction of Welfare Benefits</u>: If the resident requests an income re-examination and the rent reduction is predicated on a reduction in tenant income from welfare, the request will be denied, but only after obtaining written verification from the welfare agency that the families benefits have been reduced because of:
  - A. Noncompliance with economic self-sufficiency program or;
  - B. Work activities requirements or;
  - C. Because of fraud.
- 9. <u>Exception to rent reductions</u>: Families whose welfare assistance is reduced specifically because of fraud or failure to participate in an economic self-sufficiency program or comply with a work activities requirement will not have their rent reduced.

## SECTION XIX. TRANSFER

- 1. Objectives of the Transfer Policy:
  - A. To fully utilize available housing resources while avoiding overcrowding by insuring that each family occupies the appropriate size unit.
  - B. To facilitate a relocation when required for modernization or other management purposes.
  - C. To facilitate relocation of families with inadequate housing accommodations.
  - D. To eliminate vacancy loss and other expense due to unnecessary transfers.

# 2. <u>Types of Transfers:</u>

- A. HA initiated: The HA may at its discretion transfer residents because of an uninhabitable unit, major repairs, or other actions initiated by management.

  For these types of transfers the HA will cover the cost of the transfer pursuant to cost allowed by HUD.
- B. Transfers for Reasons of Health: Tenant may be transferred when the HA determines that there is a medical need for such transfers, such as inability to negotiate stairs or steps. The tenant will be required to provide a statement from a medical doctor which

indicates the condition of the tenant and the HA reserves the right to make its own evaluation of the situation and documentation. If the HA determines that there is not a substantial and necessary medical need for such transfer, the request for transfer shall be treated as a convenience transfer. Normally such transfers will be within the tenant's original neighborhood unless the appropriate size and type of unit does not exist on the site. The tenant must pay for all of their moving expenses and a transfer fee.

C. Convenience Transfers: The Executive Director or his/her designee may at his/her discretion permit a transfer to another housing community or public housing facility for the convenience of the tenant for good cause. However, the cost of the transfer shall be borne by the tenant. A "Transfer Charge" list is posted in the HA offices and is based on our contract price for maintenance and a administrative charge of \$300.00 for processing the transfer. The transfer charge list is updated annually by the HA. The HA will charge the actual cost of the transfer, which includes the administrative cost, the cost of preparing the unit for re-rental and, if applicable, a penalty for not turning in the keys to the old unit within 2 days of the transfer. The tenant is allowed a period of 2 days to move and turn in the keys to the old unit without being charged a penalty. If the move takes more than 2 days and the keys are not turned in the tenant will be charged a penalty of \$20.00 per day for each day the keys are not turned in to the HA. All transfer charges must be paid at the time the tenant signs his/her lease and receives the keys for the new unit. The Landlord will perform a final inspection, with the tenant, on the unit that the tenant transferred from, after the keys are turned in, and a final determination will be made by the HA staff as to additional charges that may be due the HA. For example, the tenant may not have cleaned the unit properly and/or damaged the unit during the moving process. If there are any charges that are due the HA, as a result of this inspection, the tenant must pay for these damages within fourteen (14) days of written notice from the HA. The tenant must sign a transfer agreement after the HA has authorized the transfer and prior to the transfer.

Request for transfers for convenience must be made, in writing, to the HA at the tenant's residential office stating the reason for the requested transfer. The HA will issue a decision within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of the request, and if approved, provide the tenant with a list of the charges that will be the tenants responsibility to pay prior to the transfer.

- D. Transfers for Over/Under-housed Families to the Appropriate Unit The HA may transfer residents to the appropriate sized unit and that tenants are obligated to accept such transfers. Transfers will be made in accordance with the following principles:
  - (1) Determination of the correct sized apartment shall be in accordance with the HA's occupancy guidelines, as outlined in Occupancy Guidelines.
  - (2) Transfers into the appropriate sized unit will be made within the same neighborhood unless that size does not exist on the site.
  - (3) The tenant must pay for their moving expenses.
- E. Priorities for transfers All transfers must be either for health reasons, for relocation to an appropriate sized unit, approved convenience transfers, or initiated by the HA due to

modernization work and/or other good cause as determined by the HA. Priority transfers are listed below:

- (1) HA initiated transfers,
- (2) Transfers for health reasons,
- (3) Tenants who are under-housed by two or more bedrooms,
- (4) Tenants who are over-housed by two or more bedrooms,
- (5) Tenants who are under-housed by one bedroom,
- (6) Tenants who are over-housed by one bedroom; and,
- (7) Convenience transfers.

Within each priority type, transfers will be ranked by date. In processing transfers requested by tenants for approved health reasons or to move to a larger apartment, the date shall be that on which the changed family circumstances are verified by the Manager. The HA reserves the right to immediately transfer any family who has misrepresented family circumstances or composition and the family charged the posted rate for convenience transfers. Failure to pay for these charges will result in termination of the dwelling lease.

## 3. Transfer Procedures: - The HA shall:

- · Prepare a prioritized transfer list, as needed, at re-examination.
- · Notify residents by letter of their pending transfer.
- Participate in evaluation of request for transfer based on approved medical reasons.
- · Issue final offer of vacant apartment as soon as vacant apartment is identified.
- · Issue notice to transfer as soon as vacant apartment is available for occupancy.
- · Participate in planning and implementation of special transfer systems for modernization and other similar programs.
- · Inspect both apartments involved in the transfer, charging for any resident damages that is not considered normal wear and tear.
- When the tenant is transferred for modernization, the cost of the transfer shall be paid by the HA, pursuant to cost that is allowed by HUD.

Only two offers of a unit will be made to each tenant being transferred within his/her own neighborhood. A resident being transferred outside his own neighborhood will be allowed to refuse two offers. In the case of a family being transferred from a unit which is uninhabitable, incorrectly sized or scheduled for major repairs, failure to accept the unit offered, or the second unit offered in the case of a transfer outside the neighborhood, will be grounds for eviction. When a tenant declines an offer of a transfer to a single level apartment and the tenant requested the transfer the HA will notify the tenant, at that time, that the HA is not obligated to make any subsequent offers. The HA will notify the tenant that the HA has discharged its obligations to the tenant and he/she will remain in the unit at his/her own risk, and that the HA assumes no liability for the tenants condition.

Right of HA in transfer policy - The provisions listed above are to be used as a guide to insure fair and impartial means of assigning units for transfers. It is not intended that this policy shall create a property right or any other type of right for a tenant to transfer or

#### SECTION XX. LEASE TERMINATION AND EVICTIONS

All Lease terminations and evictions will be processed in accordance with the HA's current dwelling lease and Grievance Procedure. The HA's Dwelling Lease and the Grievance Procedure is incorporated into this document by reference and is the guideline to be used for Lease terminations and evictions.

The dwelling lease may not cover every specific situation that warrants a lease termination; therefore, <u>for</u> good cause the HA may terminate a lease for reasons that are not specifically listed in the dwelling lease.

#### SECTION XXI. COMPLAINTS AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

- 1. Complaints and Grievance Procedures shall be accomplished in accordance with the HA approved Grievance Procedure. The grievance procedure is incorporated into this document by reference and is the guideline to be used for grievances and appeals.
- 2. Common Complaints and/or Problems that are not handled through the grievance procedure are to be handled as follows:
  - A. Problems that occur in occupancy shall be handled by the Secretary/Resident Relations Manager whenever possible.
  - B. Problems that can not be resolved by the Secretary/Resident Relations Manager shall be referred promptly to the Lease and Occupancy Specialist.
  - C. If not resolved by the Lease and Occupancy Specialist, the problem shall be submitted to the Executive Director in writing and explained in detail.

#### SECTION XXII. SECURITY DEPOSITS

A security deposit shall be made pursuant to a schedule posted in the HA office. Security deposits may be refunded as provided in the Lease and in this procedure.

#### SECTION XXIII. OCCUPANCY GUIDELINES

The following guidelines shall determine the number of bedrooms required to accommodate each family without overcrowding or over-housing. These guidelines may be waived only when necessary to achieve or maintain full occupancy and after every effort has been made to stimulate applications from families appropriate to the existing vacancies. Families may be assigned improper sized units **WITH THE WRITTEN UNDERSTANDING** that they must transfer to the appropriate size unit when instructed to do so by the HA. Otherwise, the following occupancy standards shall apply:

## 1. Suggested Guidelines

Number of Bedrooms	Number of Persons	

	Minimum	Maximum
1	1	2
2	2	4
3	3	6
4	4	8
5	5	10
6	6	12

- 2. Assignments shall be made so that, except for husband and wife and infants, bedrooms will not be occupied by persons of different sex over the age of six (6) years.
- 3. At the option of the HA, an infant, up to the age of two years, may share a bedroom with its parent(s), but the tenant shall not be required to do so.
- 4. In the case of chronic illness, or other physical infirmity, a deviation from the occupancy guidelines, as presented above, is permissible when justified with evidence and documentation from a licensed physician.
- 5. Every family member, over two years of age, is to be counted as a person.

# SECTION XXIV. COMPLIANCE WITH EQUAL OPPORTUNITY REQUIREMENTS FOR POSTING REQUIRED INFORMATION

There shall be maintained in the HA's office waiting room a bulletin board, which will accommodate the following posted materials:

- 1. Statement of Policies and Procedures Governing Admission and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP) this policy also outlines the HA's tenant selection and assignment plan.
- 2. Open Occupancy Notice (Applications being Accepted and/or Not Accepted)
- 3. Directory of Housing Communities including names, address of project offices, number of units by bedroom size, number of units specifically designed for the elderly, handicapped, and office hours of all HA facilities.
- 4. Income Limits for Admission.
- 5. Utility Allowances.
- 6. Current Schedule of Routine Maintenance Charges.

- 7. Dwelling Lease.
- 8. Grievance Procedure.
- 9. Fair Housing Poster.
- 10. "Equal Opportunity in Employment" Poster.
- 11. Any current "Tenant Notices".
- 12. Security Deposit Charges.

## SECTION XXV. PET RULE

- 1. This HA chooses not to publish rules except those attached to this policy governing the keeping of common household pets (Refer to Section 5.315(b) Content of pet rules: general requirements public housing programs). Tenants will comply with Section IV (P) of their dwelling lease which states, "Not to keep or allow dogs, cats, or any other animals or pets on the premises without prior written consent of Landlord."
- 2. Exclusion from this policy for animals that assist persons with disabilities. This policy does not apply to animals that are used to assist persons with disabilities. The exclusion applies to animals that reside in **projects for the elderly** or **persons with disabilities.** The Housing Authority must grant this exclusion if the following is provided:
  - The tenant or prospective tenant certifies in writing that the tenant or a member of his or her family is a person with a disability;
  - The animal has been trained to assist persons with that specific disability (example, seeing eye dog); and
  - The animal actually assists the person with a disability.

# Note:

Nothing in this policy limits or impairs the rights of persons with disabilities.

# SECTION XXVI. DECONCENTRATION RULE

1. <u>Objective</u>: The objective of the Deconcentration Rule for public housing units is to ensure that families are housed in a manner that will prevent a concentration of poverty families and/or a concentration of higher income families in any one development. The specific objective of the housing authority is to house no less than 40 percent of its public housing inventory with families that have income at or below 30% of the area median income by public housing development. Also the housing authority will take actions to insure that no individual development has a concentration of higher income families in one or more of the developments. To insure that the housing authority does not concentrate families with higher income levels, it is the goal of the housing authority not to house more than 60% of its units in any one development with families whose income exceeds 30% of the area median income. The housing authority will track the

status of family income, by development, on a monthly basis by utilizing income reports generated by the housing authority's computer system.

- 2. <u>Actions</u>: To accomplish the deconcentration goals, the housing authority will take the following actions:
  - A. At the beginning of each housing authority fiscal year, the housing authority will establish a goal for housing 40% of its new admissions with families whose incomes are at or below the area median income. The annual goal will be calculated by taking 40% of the total number of move-ins from the previous housing authority fiscal year.
  - B. To accomplish the goals of:
    - (1) Housing not less than 40% of its public housing inventory on an annual basis with families that have incomes at or below 30% of area median income, and
    - (2) Not housing families with incomes that exceed 30% of the area median income in developments that have 60% or more of the total household living in the development with incomes that exceed 30% of the area median income, the housing authority's Tenant Selection and Assignment Plan, which is a part of this policy, provides for skipping families on the waiting list to accomplish these goals.

#### SECTION XXVII. CLOSING OF FILES AND/PURGING INACTIVE FILES

This HA will purge inactive files, after they have been closed for a period of three years, with the exception of troubled cases, or cases involving a household containing a minor with a reported elevated blood-lead level.

During the term of tenancy and for three years thereafter the HA will keep the resident file. In addition, the HA must keep for at least three years the following records:

- · Records with racial, ethnic, gender and disability status data for applicants and residents.
- The application from each ineligible family and the notice that the applicant is ineligible.
- · HUD required reports and other HUD required files.
- · Lead based paint inspection reports as required.
- · Unit inspection reports.
- · Accounts and other records supporting the HA and financial statements.
- Other records which may be specified by HUD.

The HA shall retain all data for current residents for audit purposes. No information shall be removed which may effect an accurate audit.

# SECTION XXVIII. PROGRAM MANAGEMENT PLAN - Organization Plan

Reference the HA's adopted personnel policy for the organization plan of the HA.

### SECTION XXIX. ADDITIONAL HA POLICIES & CHARGES

Additional policies and charges are attached to the end of this document and are incorporated as if fully set out herein. These policies and charges may be changed from time to time, or amended, and such changes or amendments shall be substituted in this document so as to keep this policy current. All items substituted within this document shall be kept by the HA in a separate file for historical and research purposes.

# TAB 3: BUDGET NARRATIVE = REIMBURSEMENT OF LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OVER AND ABOVE BASELINE SERVICES.

The Chickasaw Housing Authority will execute a contract with the Chickasaw Police Department to provide services over and above current baseline services provided by the City of Chickasaw. The program will support a full-time police officer and some equipment that he will require to do his job. A contract betweent the Chickasaw Housing Authority and the City of Chickasaw will be signed.

REQUESTED AMOUNT: \$,800.00 Total

	_	PHDEP	<u>Other</u>
a.	Personnel No items Total Personnel	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
b.	Fringe Benefits No items Total Fringe Benefits	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
С.	Travel and Training No items Total Travel	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
d.	Equipment 2 computer systems and surveillance equipment Total Equipment	\$5,036.90 \$5,036.90	\$0 \$0
е.	Supplies No items Total Supplies	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
f.	Contractual (Police services only) Police services contract with the City of Chickasaw for 1 Officer at 40 Hrs./week for 104 weeks. Rate of 12.20/Hr. Total Contractual	\$50,763.10 \$50,763.10	\$0 \$0
g.	Other No items Total Other	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0

h. Total Direct Costs (sum of a - h)

### TAB 4: BUDGET NARRATIVE = PROGRAMS TO REDUCE THE USE OF DRUGS.

The Housing Authority will have organized youth activity/education programs for all ages and both genders. The Chickasaw Housing Authority will work closely with the The City of Chickasaw Recreation Department and the Mobile County School System in this endeavor.

REQUESTED AMOUNT: \$20,000.00 Total

a.	Personnel	PHDEP	<u>Other</u>
	No items Total Personnel	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
b.	Fringe Benefits No items	\$0	\$0
	Total Fringe Benefits	\$0	\$0
C.	Travel Travel for Youth Activities Total travel	\$8,000 \$8,000	\$0 \$0
d. \$0	Equipment Athletic equipment	\$8,000	
ŞŪ	Total Equipment	\$8,000	\$0
е.	Supplies No items Total Supplies	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
f.	Contractual No items Total Contractual	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0

g. Other

Activity fees, educational

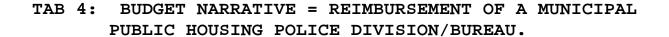
	programs and drug prevention education	\$4,000	\$0
\$0	<u>Total Other</u>	\$4,000	
h.	Total Direct Costs (sum of a - h)	\$20,000	\$0

# TAB 4: BUDGET NARRATIVE = HOUSING AUTHORITY EMPLOYMENT OF SECURITY PERSONNEL.

NOT APPLICABLE

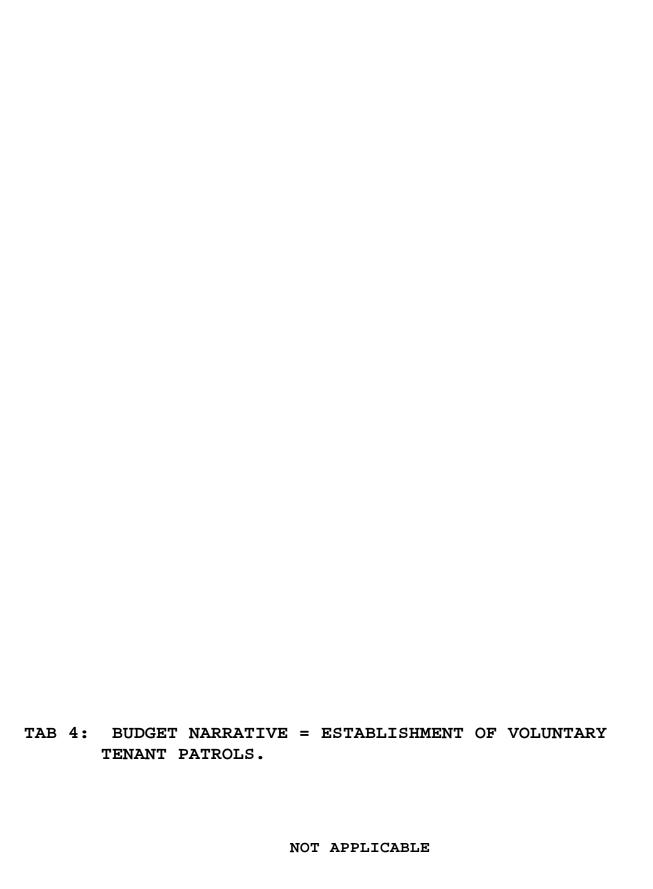
TAB 4: BUDGET NARRATIVE = CONTRACTED SECURITY PERSONNEL SERVICES.

NOT APPLICABLE



NOT APPLICABLE

TAB 4: BUDGET NARRATIVE = EMPLOYMENT OF INVESTIGATOR(S). NOT APPLICABLE



The Chickasaw Housing Authority will purchase more security lighting that will deter criminal activity throughout the community.

REQUESTED AMOUNT: \$9,600.00 Total

		PHDEP	<u>Other</u>
a.	Personnel		
	No items	\$0	\$0
	Total Personnel	\$0	\$0
b.	Fringe Benefits		
	No items	\$0	\$0
	Total Fringe Benefits	\$0	\$0
c.	Travel and Training		
	No items	\$0	\$0
	Total Travel	\$0	\$0
d.	Equipment		
	Security lighting	\$9,600	\$0
	Total Equipment	\$9,600	\$0
e.	Supplies		
	No items	\$0	\$0
	Total Supplies	\$0	\$0
f.	Contractual		
	No items	\$0	\$0
	Total Contractual	\$0	\$0
g.	Other		
	No items	\$0	\$0
	Total Other	\$0	\$0
h.	Total Direct Costs	\$9,600	\$0
	(sum of a - h)		

### TAB 4: BUDGET NARRATIVE = PROGRAM EVALUATION

The Chickasaw Housing Authority will contract with a consultant to evaluate its Public Housing Drug Elimination Program.

REQUESTED AMOUNT: \$1,000.00 Total

a.	Personnel No items Total Personnel	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
b.	Fringe Benefits No items Total Fringe Benefits	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
C.	Travel and Training No items Total Travel	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
d.	Equipment No items Total Equipment	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
e.	Supplies No items Total Supplies	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
f.	Contractual PHDEP evaluation consultant Total Contractual	\$1,000 \$1,000	\$0 \$0
g.	Other No items Total Other	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
h.	Total Direct Costs (sum of a - h)	\$1,000	\$0

# TAB 7: RATING FACTOR 1 = THE CAPACITY OF THE APPLICANT AND RELEVANT ORGANIZATIONAL EXPERIENCE.

1.) The knowledge and experience of the staff and administrative capability to manage grants including administrative support functions, procurement, lines of authority, and fiscal management capability:

The Executive Director of the Chickasaw Public Housing Authority has worked in Public Housing since 1991. During his tenure with the Chickasaw Housing Authority, neither the Executive Director nor the Housing Authority have been cited with any unresolved findings regarding ACC, CGP, or PHMAP. The Chickasaw Public Housing Authority Executive Director has been diligent in his effort to resolve any HUD, GAO, and independent accountants' findings within thirty (30) days of the notification of the findings. There are currently no unresolved findings concerning any of Chickasaw's past or present programs. The most recent management review was in 1988 and the 1993-94-95 CGP programs have also been reviewed. Chickasaw's Public Housing Authority is not under a court order or a Memorandum of Agreement, and is not on the Troubled Housing Authorities List.

The Chickasaw Housing Authority received a score of ninety-seven (97) out of 100 possible points on the PHMAP rating for FY 3/31/97. In addition to administering approximately \$275,700 in FY99 conventional funds, the Executive Director will manage an additional of \$367,011 in CGP funds. All funds received by the Chickasaw Housing Authority have been and will continue to be obligated and expended in a timely manner through the Line of Credit Control System (LOCCS). The Housing Authority Procurement Policy is HUD approved and is strictly adherred to.

Through its proposed programs, the Chickasaw Housing Authority expects to impact its communities by reducing police calls by 25%, eliminate 100% of the arrests for drug sales/use, and reduce

juvenile crime by 25 percent. It its also expected that at least 75% of the juvenile residents of the Chickasaw Housing Authority will participate in the youth programs and in the process will be exposed to anti-drug/anti-crime education material.

# 2.) The applicant's performance in administering Drug Elimination funding in the previous five years:

The current Executive Director of the Chickasaw Public Housing Authority has written, planned, and administered four successful Public Housing Drug Elimination Programs at his previous place of employment, the York Housing Authority in York, Alabama. The Chickasaw Housing Authority has never applied for PHDEP funds in the past. However, there are currently no unresolved findings concerning ACC or CGP funds. All drawdowns are performed in a timely manner, all reports are submitted on schedule, and all audit requirements are strictly adhered to.

3.) Submission of evidence that applicants have initiated other efforts to reduce crime by working with Operation Safe Home, SNAP, Weed and Seed, or tenant and/or law enforcement groups:

The Chickasaw Housing Authority has worked closely with Chickasaw Police Department in designing a PHDEP reimbursement contract that will be desirable for both parties. The contract provides for full-time patrols, police background investigations on applicants, and detailed crime statistics covering the area in and near Chickasaw Housing Authority (see **Police Agreement** on the following pages).

The Chickasaw Housing Authority has never applied for the PHDEP grant in the past. The Authority has worked closely with the city to coordinate with off duty police officers to provide part time security for the public housing community. The funding for these past activities has come from the CGP grants. Unfortunately, CGP funding has continued to dwindle over the years resulting in the need to designate all monies to modernization efforts.

In an effort to enhance current security activities, the Housing Authority has recently established a police substation in the community. This deprogrammed unit will allow the police department to expand its operations in the Authority and will provide much needed space for its officers. The Executive Director has also looked into furnishing public housing for police officers in an effort to provide a continuous police presence in the community. To enable our Police Department to provide thorough police background checks on out-of-state applicants, the Chickasaw Housing Authority applied for and received its NCIC Originating Agency

Identifier (ORI) Number.

The Chickasaw Housing Authority receives detailed crime statistics from the police department. Once a week, an officer from the department briefs the Executive Director on any activity in the Public Housing sites and hands in an activity report. This information is used to track crime trends and evaluate anti-crime efforts. All criminal activity reports are kept on file at the Chickasaw Housing Authority Office.

Housing Authority residents and staff report criminal activity to the police department through the 911 system. Any unusual activity that has been noticed and reported by the residents or staff is immediately relayed to the Housing Authority administration by the police department.

The Chickasaw Housing Authority Board of Commissioners has taken the necessary steps to ensure the health, safety/security, and right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises by residents and housing authority personnel. Under the recommendation of the Executive Director, the Board of Commissioners adopted by resolution the following occupancy screening procedures, eviction procedures, and ongoing drug prevention activities.

- 1. The Housing Authority requires applicants to sign a release to permit the agency to perform a police record check. The applicant is not approved if police records show previous arrests for drug possession or other drug-related crime.
  - Should a resident be convicted of a drug-related crime while residing in one of the sites, the resident is immediately evicted.
- 3. Physical improvements have been made to the communities such as storm doors and storm windows, as well as dead-bolt locking systems.
  - 4. Vacated apartments have the locks on their doors changed before new residents moves in.
- 5. The Chickasaw Police Department performs background investigative work and provides crime statistics/records.
  - Youth activity programs are conducted year round.

7. The One Strike, and You Are Out Policy has been put into effect.

These listed policies, provisions, and activities have allowed the Chickasaw Housing Authority to maintain a decent, safe, and sanitary environment for its residents. So many applicants have been eliminated from eligibility due to the police background checks that it has become common knowledge in the city that violent/drug criminals will not gain access to the Authority. This has resulted in a drop in the number of denied applications due to police record and has totally eliminated the inadvertent housing of violent/drug criminals. Residents that are discovered committing violent or drug related criminal acts are immediately evicted.

# 4.) The applicant's performance in administering other Federal, State or local grant programs:

The Executive Director of the Chickasaw Public Housing Authority has worked in Public Housing since 1991. During his tenure with the Chickasaw Housing Authority, neither the Executive Director nor the Housing Authority have been cited with any unresolved findings regarding ACC, CGP, or PHMAP. The Chickasaw Public Housing Authority Executive Director has been diligent in his effort to resolve any HUD, GAO, and independent accountants' findings within thirty (30) days of the notification of the findings. There are currently no unresolved findings concerning any of Chickasaw's past or present programs. The most recent management review was in 1988 and the 1993-94-95 CGP programs have also been reviewed. Chickasaw's Public Housing Authority is not under a court order or a Memorandum of Agreement, and is not on the Troubled Housing Authorities List.

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# TAB 8: RATING FACTOR 2 = NEED/EXTENT OF THE PROBLEM 1.) Objective crime data relevant to the target area: Local officials have been made aware that drug-related crime is on the rise in suburban communities, including their own. Until the mid 1990's, Chickasaw, like most small towns, only knew of drug-related crimes through the media. There was no implication that drugs were an issue for this small town of 6,649 residents.

However, by 1990 the drug epidemic had spread from the larger cities neighboring Chickasaw (Mobile, and Prichard - both of which are within a 5 minute drive).

Law enforcement officials suspect that Chickasaw's proximity to the above mentioned metropolitan areas, as well as its direct access to major highways: Interstate 65, 10, and 165; U.S. Highways 43, 90/98, and 45; Alabama Highways 13, 158, and 4 make it a prime target for urban drug dealers looking for expanded markets and less effective drug control programs. In fact, until 1995 drugs arrests were a rare occurrence, but from June of 1996 to April of 1998 there have been approximately forty-four (44) drug arrests. Thirty-nine of the drug arrests were made in or near the Chickasaw Housing Authority (see **Table 8A** for detailed breakdown).

Drug related activity is not the only crime on the rise. The City has experienced an increase in all types of violent and non-violent criminal activity (see **Graphs 8A, B, &C**). Unfortunately, these activities have trickled into the Chickasaw Housing Authority community. The Authority has experienced several assaults, rapes, robberies, and burglaries in the past two years (see **Table 8C**). City officials feel that many of these crimes are drug related because often the perpetrator is under the influence of drugs or is trying to support a drug habit.

### TABLE 8A: DRUG ARRESTS IN OR NEAR THE CHICKASAW HOUSING AUTHORITY

\*\*Any location listed in **bold** and italics is on Chickasaw Housing Authority property. All other listings are within 1,000 ft. of the Authority.

<u>Date</u>	Arrest Information	Approximate Location
6/7/96	Ricky Connell arrested for possession of a controlled substance	400 N. Craft Hwy.
10/6/96	Kelvin Scott arrested for possession of marijuana 2nd TABLE 8A (CONTINUED)	N. Craft Hwy.
2/14/97	Erica Osborne arrested for	Kansas St. & W. Lee St.

### possession of marijuana 2nd

3/29/97	Jeffrey Griffin arrested for possession of marijuana 2nd	Iroquois St. & 3rd Ave.
3/29/97	Juvenile arrested for possession of marijuana 2nd	4th St. Alley
4/18/97	Juvenile arrested for possession of marijuana 2nd	Grand Ave. & 4th Ave.
4/25/97	Tony Whitsett arrested for possession of marijuana 1st	W. Lee St. & Grand Ave.
4/25/97	Chris Jackson arrested for trafficking in marijuana	260 5th Ave.
4/27/97	Richard Tubb arrested for possession of marijuana 2nd	Grant St. & Hwy. 43
4/29/97	Danny Price arrested for possession of marijuana 2nd	Iroquois St. & 5th Ave.
5/11/97	Juvenile arrested for possession of marijuana 2nd	167 Spruce St.
5/15/97	Perry Preston arrested for possession of marijuana 2nd	W. Lee St.
5/17/97	Deffery Moore arrested for possession of a controlled substance	264 W. Lee St.
5/25/97	Juvenile arrested for possession of marijuana 2nd	329 Grant St.
5/25/97	Juvenile arrested for possession of narcotic paraphernalia	329 Grant St.
6/10/97 <b>st.</b>	Stacy Newman arrested for	Iroquois St. & W. Lee
	possession of marijuana 2nd	
6/10/97 <b>St.</b>	Joseph Ayala arrested for	Iroquois St. & W. Lee
	possession of marijuana 2nd	

6/18/97 Lindsey Millender arrested for **Kansas St. & W. Lee St.** possession of a controlled substance

### TABLE 8A (CONTINUED)

6/18/97	Damian Randle arrested for possession of narcotic paraphernalia	Kansas St. & W. Lee St.
7/13/97	Chicory Johnson arrested for	Myrtlewood & N. Craft
Hwy.	possession of a controlled substance	
7/26/97 43	Elaine Ruffins arrested for	Sutherland Dr. & Hwy.
13	possession of narcotic paraphernalia	
10/28/97	Brian Bollinger arrested for possession of marijuana 2nd	2nd St.
11/16/97	Jacob McKnight arrested for possession of marijuana 2nd	W. Lee St. & I-65
12/20/97	Juvenile arrested for possession of marijuana 2nd	3rd Ave.
1/17/98	David Wright arrested for possession of marijuana 2nd	652 Iroquois St.
2/2/98	Jerry Alford arrested for possession of marijuana 2nd	157 Autumndale Dr.
2/28/98	James Brunn arrested for possession of marijuana 2nd	W. Lee St. & I-65
3/3/98	Kenneth Richardson arrested for possession of marijuana 2nd	260 5th Ave.
3/18/98	Kenneth Richardson arrested for distribution of a controlled substance	260 5th Ave.

3/28/98	Lathon Wilson possession of	arrested for marijuana 2nd	W.	Lee	St.	&	I-65
3/29/98	Frank Everett possession of paraphernalia		W.	Lee	St.	&	I-65
3/29/98	Frank Everett possession of substance		W.	Lee	St.	&	I-65

### TABLE 8A (CONTINUED)

4/8/98	James Huffman arrested for possession of marijuana 2nd and distribution of marijuana	701 Kansas St.
4/16/98 Blvd.	Robert Reed arrested for	W. Lee St. & Grand
BIVU.	possession of narcotic paraphernalia	
4/16/98 Blvd.	Robert Reed arrested for	W. Lee St. & Grand
DIVG.	possession of marijuana 2nd	
4/16/98	Ronald Vicker arrested for possession of narcotic paraphernalia	752 Grand Blvd.
4/16/98	Ronald Vicker arrested for possession of marijuana 2nd	752 Grand Blvd.
4/30/98 St.	Steven Evans arrested for	Grand Blvd. & W. Lee
	possession of narcotic paraphernalia	
4/30/98 St.	Steven Evans arrested for	Grand Blvd. & W. Lee
SC.	possession of marijuana 2nd	

<sup>\*\*</sup> Note: All the information contained on **Table 8A** was excerpted from weekly criminal activity reports and crime statistics written by Chickasaw Police Department. The reports and statistics concern

criminal activity that occurred in or near the Chickasaw Housing Authority and are on file at the Housing Authority Management Office.

According to local officials, over eleven percent of the (2,744) households in the City of Chickasaw, live in conventional public housing operated by the Chickasaw Housing Authority. The residents of the Chickasaw Housing Authority represent seven percent of the total population of the City of Chickasaw. The Chickasaw Housing Authority is responsible for the management and operation of the eighty-eight (288) units which are located in two project area shown in **Table 8B**.

TABLE 8B: CHICKASAW HOUSING AUTHORITY PROJECT AREAS

Project Number	<u>Name</u>	Number of Units
AL-166-02	Project 02 (Multi-family)	218
AL-166-03	Project 03 (Elderly)	<u>70</u>

Total 288

The small percentage of the population of the town of Chickasaw (7%) residing in public housing is particularly important when considering that in 1996-98 (24 months), 89 percent of the drug possession/distribution arrests were made within one thousand feet of of Chickasaw's public housing site. One hundred percent of the drug possession/distribution arrests were mad within 2 miles of the Chickasaw Housing Authority

According to the Chickasaw Police Department, approximately forty (40) percent of all reported criminal activity takes place in areas including and adjacent to Chickasaw's public housing property. The high incidence of assault and theft related offenses represents much of the city's recent crime surge (see **Graph 8A**, **8B** & **8C** ). Several serious offenses have occurred on or near the Authority property (see **Table 8C**). The significance of these crimes indicates that there is a definite threat to the decent, <u>safe</u> and sanitary environment of the Chickasaw Housing Authority. Many of these crimes have gone unsolved.

### TABLE 8C: SERIOUS CRIMES COMMITTED AT OR NEAR CHICKASAW HOUSING

Type of Offense	Number of
Offenses	
Assault	11
Child Abuse	2
Robbery	7
Rape/Sexual Assault	5
Arson	3
Harassment	2
Theft	1
Burglary	8
Drug Related	39
Menacing	1
Possession of Forged Instrument	1
Resisting Arrest	1_
TOTAL	81

\*\* Note: All the information contained on **Table 8C** was excerpted from weekly criminal activity reports and statistics written by the Chickasaw Police Department. These reports show criminal activity in or near the Chickasaw Housing Authority and are on file at the Housing Office.

As discussed previously, the extent of drug-related crime and its associated problems is on the rise in Chickasaw. Eightynine percent of all drug arrests made in the past two years were within 1,000 feet of Chickasaw's public housing site. Additionally, one hundred percent of all drug arrests were within two (2) miles of Chickasaw's Public Housing site. According to the Chickasaw's Chief of Police, other criminal activities are a direct result of the town's drug problem. A substantial increase in drug arrests has occurred from 1996 to 1998 (see **Graph 8D**).

The Chickasaw Police Department believes that many of the crimes committed in the city are drug-related. Arrests occur when a person under the influence of drugs commits a crime, or when someone attempting to support their drug addiction

commits a crime. Police reports (Summarized in previous tables and **Graph 8A**, **8B** & **8C**) indicate the nature, source, and frequency of criminal activity is extensive and wide ranging. Other data on the extent of drug-related crime is provided in **Tab 12A** (Summary of Resident Comments).

It is obvious that drugs are being sold in and around the public housing units of Chickasaw. Thirteen (30%) of the arrests made this year for possession/distribution of drugs occurred on Chickasaw Housing Authority property. Twelve of the Thirteen arrests were made in Project 02, the area that contains all of our children. Four drug related (One Strike) evictions have been performed this year. Further evidence regarding the extent of drug activity by Chickasaw Housing residents is limited to information reluctantly given by other residents (see Tab 12A - Summary of Resident Comments). However, the presence of thirteen drug dealers/users on Chickasaw Housing Authority property indicates that drug activity could, and probably is, prevalent at the Chickasaw Housing Authority

# 2.) Other supporting data on the extent of drug related crime:

Chickasaw is located in Mobile County, Alabama which is one of the most troubled counties in the state. Traditionally, the poorest urban areas have the highest crime rates and the lowest level of police protection. The social/economic circumstances of Mobile County play a major role in promoting criminal activity in the Chickasaw area (see **Graph 8E, & F**).

The chances for a decent future for the children of Mobile County continues to deteriorate. Six, or 15%, of the 44, people arrested in Chickasaw on drug charges during the last two years were juveniles (see **Table 8A**). The Mobile County Schools continue to rank among the lowest in the state. The County has trouble enforcing the truancy laws, and teenage children roam the streets all day during school hours. The factors that traditionally represent a susceptibility to drug activity such as high school graduation rate, teen pregnancy rate, and juvenile violent crime arrests are at alarming levels (see **Graph 8E, F, & G**).

The frequency and type of graffiti on the building walls and sidewalks in Chickasaw indicates the presence of gangs in the area. Gangs often use symbols painted on buildings or sidewalks to mark their territory. Public Housing residents and staff have reported seeing teenagers flashing gang signs at one another. These occurrences indicate that gangs are in the process of establishing themselves or are possibly already established in Chickasaw.

The dramatic increase of drug-related crimes within a 1,000 foot radius of Chickasaw's public housing sites and the high incidents of police calls coming from the area have led the police department, Chickasaw Housing staff, and residents to believe that illegal drugs are prevalent within the public housing community. The residents have indicated that a fully funded drug prevention program is critical if the drug-related problems in the Chickasaw Housing community is to be resolved.

\*\*NOTE\*\* Additional crime information is given in Tab 12A (Summary of Written Resident Comments).

# TAB 9: RATING FACTOR 3 = SOUNDNESS OF APPROACH (QUALITY OF THE PLAN)

1.) The quality of the applicant's plan to address the drugrelated crime problem, and the problems associated with drugrelated crime in the developments proposed for funding, the resources allocated, and how well the proposed activities fit with the plan:

The Chickasaw Housing Authority proposes to contract full-time police protection for its community. Within the past two years, Chickasaw has seen an explosion of drug related crime in and near the Chickasaw Housing site. If our residents are to have decent, <u>safe</u>, and sanitary housing, extra police protection is a necessity.

Currently, the Chickasaw Police Department is under staffed. In fact, there are several vacant police officer positions in the department. It is not uncommon for the Chickasaw Police Department to be able to provide only enough service to respond to 911 calls from the Chickasaw Housing properties.

Funding of Chickasaw Housing Authority's drug prevention program will provide one hundred (100) percent of the salary for one (1) part-time officer for two years. In return for providing most of the salary for an additional police officer, the Chickasaw Police Department will guarantee that the public housing sites will be patrolled for a minimum of Forty (40) hours per week, be provided with police background investigations, and will be provided with crime statistics. In addition, the city will equip the officer and provide a patrol car. This program has, in the past, proven highly effective in greatly reducing the amount of loitering, drive-through traffic, and other problems that are on the rise.

The law-abiding adults and children of Chickasaw's public housing are at risk. The proposed program minimizes the influence of crime and violence in the their lives through the provision of full-time police protection. The increased visibility of a law enforcement officer on Chickasaw Housing property would also be a major factor in providing our residents with a sense of security and well being. A police officer will serve as an excellent role model and will be expected to expand upon the themes taught in the other

proposed drug elimination programs.

Through the 1998 PHDEP grant, the Chickasaw Public Housing Authority will enact a summer activity program, a year-long athletic and organized youth activities program, and a drug awareness program. The Summer Sports Program will provide free swimming lessons and passes to the public pool in Chickasaw. This activity is available for all children residing in public housing in Chickasaw. Additionally, the youth are encouraged to participate in the City's summer activity program which includes sports activities and a summer camp. The Chickasaw Housing Authority will also develop its own activity programs which will allow participation in the Alabama Public Housing Youth Sports Leagues which includes state wide basketball, softball, volleyball, and cultural arts.

Chickasaw's athletic and organized youth activities program will be initiated in the fall of 1998. It will consist of an after school tutoring program, a volleyball clinic, a basketball program, and a softball program for the youth in the Chickasaw Housing sites. The volleyball clinic focuses on the female youth and culminates in a weekend trip to Montgomery, Alabama. All youth will be prohibited from participating in the athletic programs unless they have a C average in all their school courses. If a child does not have a C average in a particular course, they are required to seek tutorial help before being allowed to participate in athletics.

Drug Awareness classes will be provided throughout the year. Each child is required to attend at least two drug awareness classes before being allowed to participate in the athletics/activities programs.

The implementation of these activities will be coordinated and supervised by the Executive Director of the Chickasaw Housing Authority. He will be assisted by the Resident Relations Manager, Housing Authority Police Officer, and the Chief of Police. All activities can be fully implemented within thirty (30) days of receipt of funding.

As discussed above, this plan includes reimbursement for additional security provided by a local law enforcement agency. As established earlier, the baseline services the local department is currently able to provide is generally limited to infrequent patrols and responses to 911 calls. The plan will keep the level of service dramatically above the

base line by providing forty(40) hours per week of exclusive police service to the Public Housing community. It is likely that the additional law enforcement services proposed for this program will be continued beyond the grant period if the city can find additional funding for the Housing Authority police officer.

The Chickasaw Housing Authority, as previously mentioned, has experienced a surge in criminal activity withing the past year. Many of our residents have reported suspicious activity in some of the community's poorly lite areas. These areas, as reported by the residents and staff, have become a major routes for foot traffic in and around the Public Housing area. In an effort to deter possible criminal activities, funding has been allocated in this application for security lighting that will be placed throughout the Chickasaw Housing Authority.

2.) The anticipated effectiveness of the plan and proposed activities in reducing or eliminating drug-related crime problems immediately and over an extended period, including whether the proposed activities enhance and are coordinated with on going proposed programs sponsored by HUD such as Neighborhood Networks, Campus of Learners, Computerized Community Connections, Operation Safe Home, "One Strike and You're Out", Department of Justice, Weed and Seed Efforts, or any other prevention intervention treatment activities:

The Chickasaw Housing Authority has combined its Welfare Reform efforts with the Mobile County Department of Human Resources, the Mobile County Food Stamp Office, and the Mobile County Board of Education. The Housing Authority will provide facilities, materials, and personnel for any programs that are being offered for its residents. The Department of Human Resources has agreed to provide job training classes for our residents. The Chickasaw Housing Authority Executive Director feels that the combination of support from all of these agencies will give the residents a boost toward selfsufficiency. The Chickasaw Housing Authority participates and coordinates with all available programs and agencies in the county. Unfortunately, Mobile County does not have much to offer its residents in the way of social/economic programs.

The types of activities that have been previously described have proven effective in preventing drug use not only in Chickasaw but throughout the country by providing residents

with a sense of self-worth, pride, and community togetherness. The youth programs, which have been conducted in Chickasaw since 1990 have provided the children living in public housing with the opportunity to participate in organized activities and learn team work. Positive experiences have furnished our youth with alternatives to drugs by educating them, keeping them busy, and making them feel good about themselves.

It is well known that the annual cost of these programs is small when weighed against the benefits that are reaped. Preventing children from becoming involved in drugs and the elimination of opportunities for drug dealers to sell in rarely patrolled housing sites will go a long way toward preventing future costs for incarceration, intervention, and drug treatment programs. For example, the cost to incarcerate 2 men for two years is easily more than \$86,400.

It is anticipated that the long-term benefits of these programs will continue whether or not the programs themselves are continued. The developmental and life-skills taught to public housing youth will help build a strong foundation for future job opportunities. Furthermore, the tutorials and classes for all public housing residents will provide them with basic training for future employment opportunities. Any funds remaining after the projected date of expenditure will be used to continue the youth activity programs until those funds are exhausted (see **Table 9A** for projected activity timetable).

# 3.) The rational for the proposed activities and methods used including evidence that proposed activities have been effective in similar circumstances in controlling drug-related crime:

The Authority has recently experienced a sharp rise in the number of calls, complaints, evictions, and arrests. It is obvious that criminal activity is on the rise. This is evident in both Chickasaw Housing and City of Chickasaw statistics. Full-time police security will be a significant deterrent to much of the reported criminal activity being conducted in the Chickasaw Housing Authority community.

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4.) The process it will use to collect, maintain, analyze and report crimes as well as police workload data. The applicant's proposed analysis of the data collected should include a method for assessing the impact of activities on the collected crime statistics on an on-going basis during the award period

The Chickasaw Housing Authority has worked closely with Chickasaw Police Department in designing a PHDEP reimbursement contract that will be desirable for both parties. The contracts provides for full-time patrols, police background investigations on applicants, and detailed crime statistics covering the area in and near Chickasaw Housing Authority (see Police Agreement in **Tab 7**).

The Chickasaw Housing Authority receives detailed crime statistics from the Chickasaw police department. Once a week, an officer from the department briefs the Executive Director on any activity in the Public Housing sites and hands in an activity report. This information is used to track crime trends and evaluate anti-crime efforts. All criminal activity reports are kept on file at the Chickasaw Housing Authority Office.

5.) Specific steps the applicant will take to share and coordinate information on solutions and outcomes with other law-enforcement and governmental agencies, and a description of any written agreements in place or that will be put into place:

The Chickasaw Housing Authority has developed a partnership with the Chickasaw Police Department, Mobile County Department of Human Resources, the Mobile County Food Stamp Office, and the Mobile County Board of Education No written agreements are in place, with the exception of the Police Contract and the Welfare Reform (JOBS) agreement with the Department of Human Resources. The Chickasaw Housing Authority makes it policy to provide information on an as needed basis to these agencies. The Chickasaw Housing Authority participates and coordinates with all available programs and agencies in the county. Unfortunately, Mobile County does not have much to offer its residents in the way of service agencies or anticrime programs.

6.) The extent to which the applicant's elimination of crime in a development or neighborhood will expand fair housing choice and will affirmatively further fair housing:

It is felt that by initiating the Chickasaw Housing Drug Elimination Program, the Authority will be furthering its mission to provide decent safe, and sanitary housing to <u>all</u> eligible applicants. The elimination of crime and drugs from Housing Authority property will provide an increased quality of living that all people deserve and which our residents have come to expect.

ACTIVITY COST	DURATION	START	FINISH
Security:			
1. Police Contract 11/30/2000 \$50,763.10	728 days	12/1/98	
2. Police Equipment \$5,036.90	N/A	N/A	N/A
3. Security Lighting \$9,600	N/A	N/A	N/A
Drug Prevention:			
1. Travel 11/30/2000 \$8,000	728 days	12/1/98	
2. Athletic Equipment 11/30/2000 & Programs \$8,000	728 days	12/1/98	
3. Education Programs & 11/30/2000 Anti-Drug Education \$4,000	728 days	12/1/98	

### Evaluation:

1. Evaluation by Consultant N/A 11/1/99&2000 N/A

Total: 2,912 days of programming

**Total:** \$85,400

### TAB 9B: PERSONNEL POSITION DESCRIPTIONS.

### NOT APPLICABLE

### TAB 10: RATING FACTOR FOUR = LEVERAGING RESOURCES

1.) Evidence of commitment of funding, staff, or in kind resources, partnership agreements, and on-going or planned cooperative efforts with law enforcement agencies, memoranda of understanding, or agreements to participate:

The City of Chickasaw and the Chickasaw Police Department will be the two key agencies assisting the Chickasaw Housing Authority with its proposed programs. Several local officials and local city departments have been actively involved in the development of the proposed programs. The partnership and the leveraging of resources between the Public Housing Authority and the city agencies has been the major reason all our past and present programs have met with great success. It is anticipated that the same type of support and enthusiasm will be a driving force behind the success of our future programs. The community leaders and businesses that have participated in the development of our proposal will be involved in the

implementation of these programs and have provided their written support (see **Tab 12B**).

The Police Department has agreed to provide additional police protection to the Housing Authority if PHDEP funds are secured for reimbursement purposes (see **Tab 13C Police Contract**). The City of Chickasaw has offered public housing residents use of their Parks and public swimming pool. The Mobile County Department of Human Resources is offering job training courses for the residents. The community has expressed its concern through numerous letters commenting on the need for our programs and has pledged their time and material support (see **Tab 12B**).

Describe what role residents in the targeted developments, applicable community leaders and organizations, and law enforcement agencies have had in planning the activities described in the application and what role they will have in carrying out such activities. The application must include a discussion of the extent to which community representatives and local, state and federal government officials, including law enforcement agency officials were actively involved in the design and implementation of the applicant's plan and will continue to be involved in implementing such activities during and after the period of The application must demonstrate the extent to PHDEP funding. which the relevant governmental jurisdiction has met its local law enforcement obligations under the Cooperation Agreement with the applicant. The applicant must describe the current level of baseline local law enforcement services being provided to the housing authority proposed for assistance:

A great deal of support has been offered by the community for the proposed plan. The Chickasaw Housing Authority has a formally recognized resident council which was consulted about the needs of their community. Additionally, a large percentage of all adult residents were surveyed to gather their views on criminal activity, what they thought would help eliminate the problems, and what programs they want implemented for themselves and their children (see Tab 12A Resident Survey Summary). The residents are in agreement that increased police protection and organized drug prevention programs for the children living in the public housing units are a necessity.

The interest level shown by adult residents in participating in the Chickasaw Housing Authority community activities has

been very low in the past. Youth participation is high and is expected to remain at that level. Residents have not conducted their own programs in the past and have shown no interest in doing so in the future.

The Executive Director has given verbal and written encouragement to the residents in an attempt to get their involvement. Unfortunately, he has met with little success in the past. Due to the effect of Local Preferences and Welfare Reform, the Housing Authority staff has noticed renewed resident interest in the activities of their children and others in the community. It is hoped that this renewed interest will filter into the Housing Authority Drug Elimination Programs.

The Chickasaw Police Department and city government have taken an active part in the planning of the proposed drug elimination programs. The Police Department has agreed to provide additional police protection to the Housing Authority if PHDEP funds are secured for reimbursement purposes (see Tab 13C Police Contract). The City of Chickasaw has offered public housing residents use of their Parks and community swimming pool. The Mobile County Department of Human Resources is offering job training classes for the Authority residents. The community has expressed its concern through numerous letters commenting on the need for our programs and has pledged their time and material support (see Tab 12B Letters of Commitment).

Currently, the Chickasaw Police Department is under staffed. In fact, there are several vacant police officer positions which the department has not filled. There is seldom enough staff on duty to provide frequent patrols of the Public Housing Authority properties. The Chief of Police and Mayor of Chickasaw have certified that the Chickasaw Housing Authority is receiving the same baseline services as the rest of the city (see Tab 13C & 13E). Chief Hollinghead has determined that the baseline services the Housing Authority receives per week consists of:

- 1. 4 hours of patrol services
- 2. 1 hour of criminal investigation
- 3. 1 hour of arrests and processing
- 4. 1 hour of court time

For a total of 7 hours per week

Regardless of funding, the Chickasaw Housing Authority will continue the battle against drugs with the help of the Chickasaw Police Department, City of Chickasaw, and the Department of Human Resources.

In an effort to continue and promote its Drug Elimination activities, the Chickasaw Housing Authority will apply for all available funding from the Federal Government. The Housing Authority will also look into all other available avenues of finance for their drug elimination struggle.

# TAB 11: RATING FACTOR 5 = COMPREHENSIVENESS AND COORDINATION

1.) Extent to which the applicant demonstrates it has coordinated its proposed activities with those of other groups or organizations prior to submission in order to best complement, support, and coordinate all known activities and if funded, the specific steps it will take to share information on solutions and outcomes with others:

The City of Chickasaw and the Chickasaw Police Department will be the two key agencies assisting the Chickasaw Housing Authority with its proposed programs. Several local officials and local city departments have been actively involved in the development of the proposed programs. The partnership and the leveraging of resources between the Public Housing Authority and other city agencies has been the major reason all our past and present programs have met with great success. It is anticipated that the same type of support and enthusiasm will be a driving force behind the success of our future programs. The community leaders and businesses that have participated in the development of our proposal will be involved in the implementation of these programs and have provided their written support (see Tab 12B).

The Police Department has agreed to provide additional police protection to the Housing Authority if PHDEP funds are secured for reimbursement purposes (see **Tab 13C Police Contract**). The City of Chickasaw has offered public housing residents use of their Parks and public swimming pool. The Mobile County Department of Human Resources is offering job training courses for the residents. The community has expressed its concern through numerous letters commenting on the need for our programs and has pledged their time and material support (see **Tab 12B**).

The Chickasaw Housing Authority has developed an informal partnership with the Chickasaw Police Department, Mobile County Department of Human Resources, the Mobile County Food Stamp Office, and the Mobile County Board of Education. No written agreements are in place, with the exception of the proposed Police Contract and the Welfare Reform (JOBS)

agreement with the Department of Human Resources. The Chickasaw Housing Authority makes it policy to provide information on an as needed basis to these agencies. The Housing Authority participates and coordinates with all available programs and agencies in the county. Unfortunately, Mobile County does not have much to offer its residents in the way of service agencies or anti-crime social/economic programs.

2.) Taken or will take specific steps to become active in the community's Consolidated Planning process established to identify and address a need/problem that is related to the activities the applicant proposes:

The City of Chickasaw or Mobile County has no known consolidated plan. The Chickasaw Housing Authority will coordinate with the city or county to identify and address any needs or problems related to the activities proposed.

3.) Taken or will take specific steps to develop linkages to coordinate comprehensive solutions through meetings, information networks, planning processes or other mechanisms with other HUD-funded projects/activities outside the scope of those covered by the Consolidated Plan; and other federal, state or locally funded activities, including those proposed, or on-going in the community:

The Chickasaw Housing Authority has combined its Welfare Reform efforts with the Mobile County Department of Human Resources, the Mobile County Food Stamp Office, and the Mobile County Board of Education. The Department of Human Resources has agreed to provide job training classes for our residents. The Chickasaw Housing Authority participates and coordinates with all available programs and agencies in the county. Unfortunately, Mobile County does not have much to offer its residents in the way of anti-crime or social/economic programs.

The Chickasaw Housing Authority has developed an informal partnership with the Chickasaw Police Department, Mobile County Department of Human Resources, the Mobile County Food Stamp Office, and the Mobile County Board of Education. No written agreements are in place, with the exception of the proposed Police Contract and the Welfare Reform (JOBS) agreement with the Department of Human Resources, but the Housing Authority makes it policy to provide information on an as needed basis to these agencies.

#### TAB 12A: SUMMARY OF WRITTEN RESIDENT COMMENTS.

In an effort to gather information and give the staff and residents' input in the application process, the Chickasaw Housing Authority conducted staff and community surveys. Each member of the staff was surveyed. Fifty-five (55) percent of the residents were surveyed. Due to the high rate of illiteracy found in our community, the resident surveys were administered by a member of the staff.

Although the two surveys had different formats, many of the resident's replies to questions found on both surveys reflected those of the staff's. A question by question breakdown of both surveys is found on the following pages.

#### TAB 12A: STAFF SURVEY SUMMARY.

QUESTION	RESPONSE
1. Do you feel that we have a crime/drug problem in the Chickasaw Housing communities?	64% said <b>yes</b> 36% said <b>no</b>
2. Do you feel safe while working outside in the Chickasaw communities?	
3. Do you personally know a minor (child under 18) who has dropped out of school?	64% said <b>yes</b> 36% said <b>no</b>
4. Do you personally know a minor (child under 18) who has had or is about to have a baby?	55% said <b>yes</b> 45% said <b>no</b>
5. Do you personally know a minor (child under 18) who has been in trouble with the law?	64% said <b>yes</b> 36% said <b>no</b>
6. Have you seen any evidence of crime in the community?	45% said <b>yes</b> 55% said <b>no</b>

When those who answered **yes** to question #6 were asked to explain there answer, the following evidence (compiled) was given:

- Theft of property from apartments and yards  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) +\left( 1$ 
  - Adult residents intimidated by teen residentsJuveniles harassing other Housing Authority

#### youth

- Suspicious activity at apartments that could be drug related
- Gangs of juveniles running the streets

- Fighting between juveniles
  - People seen under the influence of drugs
- Vandalism of personal property
- Drug raid performed by police on an apartment
- Apartment break-ins
- Four drug related evictions in the past ½ year
- 7. Who do you feel may have the greatest substance abuse problem?

27% said residents
73% said outsiders

8. What age group do you feel has the greatest problem with substance yrs.

0% said below 12 yrs.
73% said 13-17

abuse?

27% said 18-30 yrs. 0% said 31 and over

- 8. When asked to list anything that they thought would help correct any of the problems of crime and substance abuse, the following replies (compiled) were given:
  - More structure for youth
  - Parental training program
  - Support for single parents
    - More police patrols
  - Speed bumps on the Housing Authority property
  - Encourage residents to report crimes
  - Parental interest in the activities of their children
  - Provide youth jobs and/or training
  - Follow up on suspicious activity
  - Anti-Drug/Crime programs
  - A local juvenile holding facility
  - Stiffer punishment for criminals
  - Parental responsibility for children
  - Police officers living on Housing Authority property
  - Cooperation from residents concerning crime
  - Youth activity program
  - Increased security measures

TAB 12A: RESIDENT SURVEY SUMMARY.

### QUESTION RESPONSE

20-	2	
1.	Do you feel that we have a crime/drug problem in the Chickasaw Housing communities?	81% said <b>yes</b> 19% said <b>no</b>
2.	Do you feel that you <b>or</b> your children are threatened by crime/drug problems?	77% said <b>yes</b> 23% said <b>no</b>
3.	Do you feel threatened while inside <b>or</b> outside your home?	80% said <b>yes</b> 20% said <b>no</b>
	Who do you feel may have the greatest substance abuse problem? idents	23% said residents 77% said non-
5.	What age group do you feel has the	1% said below 12 yrs.

greatest problem with substance 74% said 13-19 yrs.

abuse?

19% said **20-30 yrs.** 6% said 31 and over

6. State the number (not name) of

Average # known was

2.3

people you know that you feel may have a problem with substance abuse.

7. Would you like for the Housing Authority to provide additional police protection and/or sponsor a neighborhood watch program.

90% said **yes** 10% said **no** 

8. State the number of minors

Average # known was

1.2

(children under 18) that you know that have dropped out of school.

9. State the number of minors Average # known was

1.2

(children under 18) that you know that have been in trouble with the law.

10. State the number of minor girls Average # known was

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that you know that have had a baby or are pregnant.

11. How many of these teen mothers live Average # known was . 1

in or recently lived in one of the apartments belonging to the Chickasaw Housing Authority?

- 12. Do you know of anyone who lives 7% said **yes** in our apartments who has been 93% said **no** treated for substance abuse?
- 13. Have you seen any evidence of 25% said **yes** crime or substance abuse in 75% said **no** the community?

When asked to list some of the things going on in the that they thought could be related to substance abuse or other unlawful activities, the following replies (compiled) were given:

- Fist fights
- Selling of illegal drugs in the Authority community
- Alcohol abuse by juveniles
- Drug related evictions
- Vandalism
- Parties
- Drug abuse in the Authority community
- Suspicious activities late at night
- Break-ins
- Robbing
- Stealing
- Loud music and cursing
- Child abuse
- Domestic violence
- Harassment
- Mischief
- Disrespect by juveniles
- The selling of stolen goods in the Authority community
- Juvenile was molested on Authority property
- 14. When asked to list anything they thought would help to correct the drug and crime problems, the following replies (compiled) were given:
  - Extra police protection
  - Drug Awareness Programs
  - A job training program
  - Neighborhood Watch program
  - Youth activity program
  - Parental interest in their child's activities
  - More security lighting
  - Education programs
  - Tougher laws
  - I.D. check for visitors coming into sites
  - Police substation in Authority community
  - Community programs
  - Provide a safe environment at school
  - Increased level of security
  - Teach responsibility to children
  - Parental Council meetings
  - Put corporal punishment back into schools
  - Background checks for all applicants
  - Parents working together to watch children
  - Keep children inside at night
  - Strict enforcement of lease

- 15. When asked to list the types of programs that they would to have presented for them in the application, the following replies (compiled) were given:
  - Self help programs
  - Parent/child activity program
  - Neighborhood watch program
  - Youth activity program
  - Job training program
  - Cooking classes
  - Community patrols
  - Self esteem courses
  - Education program
  - Anti-drug program
- 16. When asked if they agreed when asked if they agreed 100% said with the proposed program? 0% said no

100% said **yes** 

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TAB 12B: LETTERS OF COMMITMENT.

# TAB 13: CERTIFICATIONS.

\*REFER TO TABS 13A THROUGH 13K\*

# TAB 13C: LAW ENFORCEMENT CERTIFICATION = POLICE SERVICES AGREEMENT.

The City has requested funding to enable them to provide the assistance needed to restrict the crime and drug activity in the Chickasaw Housing Authority Communities. The addition of a full-time police officer assigned specifically to the Chickasaw Housing Authority will be a significant increase over the baseline services provided. You will find in the following pages a copy of our proposed contract with the City of Chickasaw which defines the terms and conditions of our agreement.

The Chickasaw Housing Authority has a simple system for protecting confidential information. The office personnel consists of two employees: the Executive Director, and the Section 8 Coordinator/Secretary. The Chickasaw Housing Authority Personnel Policy forbids employees to divulge any sensitive personal information regarding residents or applicants. All sensitive personal information (applications, files, police background checks, credit checks, etc.) is filed and locked in a fire proof vault during non-business hours.

#### TAB 14: PROGRAM PLAN EVALUATION

Program evaluation will be done once a year by a Consultant who has had experience writing PHDEP grant applications and in administering Drug Elimination Programs. The Program will also be continuously monitored and evaluated by the Executive Director of the Chickasaw Housing Authority and the Chickasaw Chief of Police. This will be done by surveying police records for drug arrests, juvenile arrests, and calls made to the police department by public housing residents. The drug prevention efforts will be evaluated by observing the level of participation, academic improvements, motivation, and changes in the attitudes and self-esteem of the participating residents.

#### TAB 15: CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION INFORMATION

The Drug Elimination Program of the Housing Authority of the City of Chickasaw, Alabama will use a comprehensive security and preventive-based approach to reduce crime. The Chickasaw Police Department has agreed to provide a trained police officer to patrol the Authority areas in return for the reimbursement of his salary. A youth activity program that includes preventative education and athletics will be conducted year round. The physical security of the community building will be enhanced with security lighting.

#### TAB 1: LOCATION AND UNIT COUNT

The Chickasaw Housing Authority is a small(288 units verified)one site Public Housing Authority located in City of Chickasaw, Alabama. The City of Chickasaw is a small town of 6,649 residents, 450 of which live in the Chickasaw Housing Authority, located in the souther part of Mobile County directly adjacent to the City of Mobile and the City of Prichard. The City of Chickasaw has direct access to major highways: Interstate 65, 10, and 165; U.S. Highways 43, 90/98, and 45; Alabama Highways 13, 158, and 4.

TABLE 1A: CHICKASAW HOUSING AUTHORITY PROJECT AREAS

Project Numb	oer	<u>Name</u>	Number of Units
AL-166-02 AL-166-03	_	<pre>(Multi-family) (Elderly)</pre>	218 

Total 288

#### TAB 2: PLAN FOR ADDRESSING DRUG RELATED CRIME

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The Chickasaw Housing Authority, as previously mentioned, will receive detailed crime statistics from the Chickasaw police department. Once a week, an officer from the department will brief the Executive Director on any activity in the Public Housing sites and hand in an activity report. This information will be used to track crime trends and evaluate anti-crime efforts. All criminal activity reports will be kept on file at the Chickasaw Housing Authority Office.

The law-abiding adults and children of Chickasaw's public housing are at risk. The proposed program minimizes the influence of crime and violence in the their lives through the provision of full-time

police protection. The increased visibility of a law enforcement officer on Chickasaw Housing property would also be a major factor in providing our residents with a sense of security and well being. A police officer will serve as an excellent role model and will be expected to expand upon the themes taught in the other proposed drug elimination programs.

Through the 1999 PHDEP grant, the Chickasaw Public Housing Authority will provide a year-long activity program in conjunction with the Chickasaw City Recreation Department. The organized activities available include swimming lessons and passes to the public pool in Chickasaw, football, baseball, basketball, cheerleading, girls softball, T-ball, and soccer. These activities will be available for all children residing in public housing in Chickasaw. Additionally, the youth are encouraged to participate in the City's summer camp and the Civitan Club Beauty Pageant.

An adult and youth computer education program will be offered throughout the year. A computer lab has been set up in the Housing Authority community room and will be expanded in the future. The Mobile County School System will work closely with the Chickasaw Housing Resident Relations Manager in the coordination of this program. A certified teacher with the school system will be contracted to provide tutorial services.

Drug Awareness classes will be provided with the help of the Police Department and the Mobile County School System throughout the year.

The Chickasaw Housing Authority has combined its Welfare Reform efforts with the Mobile County Department of Human Resources and the Mobile County Board of Education. The Housing Authority will provide facilities, materials, and personnel for any educational/anti-drug programs that are being offered for its residents. The Department of Human Resources has agreed to provide job training for our residents. The Chickasaw Housing Authority Executive Director feels that the combination of support from these agencies will give the residents a boost toward self-sufficiency. The Chickasaw Housing Authority participates and coordinates with all available programs and agencies in the county. Unfortunately, Mobile County does not have much to offer its residents in the way of social/economic programs.

The Chickasaw Housing Authority, as previously mentioned, has experienced a surge in criminal activity within the past few years. Many of our residents have reported suspicious activity in some of the community's poorly lit areas. These areas, as reported by the residents and staff, have become major routes for foot traffic in and around the Public Housing area during night time hours. In an effort to deter possible criminal activities, funding has been

allocated in this application for additional security lighting and street lighting that will be placed in unlit areas around the Chickasaw Housing Authority. In addition, extra apartment lighting will be added to the outside of each unit.

The types of activities that have been previously described have proven effective in preventing drug use not only in Chickasaw but throughout the country by providing residents with a sense of selfworth, pride, security, and community togetherness. The youth programs, which have been conducted in Chickasaw since 1990 have provided the children living in public housing with the opportunity to participate in organized activities and learn team work. Positive experiences have furnished our youth with alternatives to drugs by educating them, keeping them busy, and making them feel good about themselves.

It is well known that the annual cost of these programs is small when weighed against the benefits that are reaped. Preventing children from becoming involved in drugs and the elimination of opportunities for drug dealers to sell in rarely patrolled housing sites will go a long way toward preventing future costs for incarceration, intervention, and drug treatment programs. For example, the cost to incarcerate 2 men for two years is easily more than \$63,360.

It is anticipated that the long-term benefits of these programs will continue whether or not the programs themselves are continued. The developmental and life-skills taught to public housing residents will help build a strong foundation for future job opportunities. Furthermore, the tutorials and classes for all public housing residents will provide them with basic training for future employment opportunities. Any funds remaining after the projected date of expenditure will be used to continue the youth activity programs until those funds are exhausted.

The Chickasaw Housing Authority has developed a partnership with the Chickasaw Police Department, Mobile County Department of Human Resources, the Mobile County Food Stamp Office, and the Mobile County Board of Education. No written agreements are in place, with the exception of the Police Contract and the Welfare Reform (JOBS) agreement with the Department of Human Resources. The Chickasaw Housing Authority makes it policy to provide information on an as needed basis to these agencies. The Chickasaw Housing Authority participates and coordinates with all available programs and agencies in the county.

The implementation of these activities will be administered by the Executive Director of the Chickasaw Housing Authority. He will be

assisted by the Resident Relations Manager, Housing Authority Police Officer, and the Chief of Police. All activities can be fully implemented within thirty (30) days of receipt of funding.

It is felt that by initiating the Chickasaw Housing Drug Elimination Program, the Authority will be furthering its mission to provide decent safe, and sanitary housing to <u>all</u> eligible applicants. The elimination of crime and drugs from Housing Authority property will provide an increased quality of living that all people deserve and which our residents have come to expect.

# TAB 3: BUDGET NARRATIVE = REIMBURSEMENT OF LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OVER AND ABOVE BASELINE SERVICES.

The Chickasaw Housing Authority will execute a HUD approved contract with the Chickasaw Police Department to provide services over and above current baseline services provided by the City of Chickasaw. The program will support a full-time police officer and some equipment that he will require to do his job.

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REQUESTED AMOUNT: \$31,812.53 Total

		PHDEP	other
a.	Personnel		
	No items	\$0	\$0
	Total Personnel	\$0	\$0
b.	Fringe Benefits		
	No items	\$0	\$0

	Total Fringe Benefits	\$0	\$0
С.	Travel and Training No items Total Travel	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
d.	Equipment Total Equipment	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
е.	Supplies No items Total Supplies	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
f.	Contractual (Police services only) Police services contract with the City of Chickasaw for 1 Officer at 40 Hrs./week for 104 weeks. Rate of 14.14/Hr. Total Contractual	\$31,812.53 \$31,812.53	\$0 \$0
g.	Other No items <u>Total Other</u>	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
h.	Total Direct Costs (sum of a - h)	\$31,812.53	\$0

# TAB 3: BUDGET NARRATIVE = PROGRAMS TO REDUCE THE USE OF DRUGS.

The Housing Authority will have an organized activity/education programs, which will include a computer lab, for all ages and both genders. The Chickasaw Housing Authority will work closely with The City of Chickasaw Recreation Department and the Mobile County School System in this endeavor.

REQUESTED AMOUNT: \$10,000.00 Total

	PHDEP	Other

a. Personnel

	No items <u>Total Personnel</u>	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
b.	Fringe Benefits No items	\$0	\$0
	Total Fringe Benefits	\$0	\$0
С.	Travel No items Total Travel	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
d.	Equipment 2 computers	\$3,000	
\$0	Total Equipment	\$3,000	\$0
e.	Supplies No items Total Supplies	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
f.	Contractual Tutoring classes/computer classes contract with Tutor Total Contractual	\$2,500 \$2,500	\$0 \$0
g. \$0	Other    Activity fees through City Recreation program <u>Total Other</u>	\$4,500 \$4,500	\$0
h.	Total Direct Costs (sum of a - h)	\$10,000	\$0

TAB 3: BUDGET NARRATIVE = PHYSICAL IMPROVEMENTS TO ENHANCE SECURITY

The Chickasaw Housing Authority will install additional security lighting and lighted address markers that will deter criminal activity throughout the community and promote faster police/emergency response.

REQUESTED AMOUNT: \$18,047.47 Total

		PHDEP	<u>Other</u>
a.	Personnel No items Total Personnel	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
b.	Fringe Benefits No items Total Fringe Benefits	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
C.	Travel and Training No items Total Travel	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
d.	Equipment Lighted address markers Total Equipment	\$8,948.80 \$8,948.80	\$0 \$0
е.	Supplies No items Total Supplies	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
f.	Contractual Installation of lighted address markers Total Contractual	\$5,760.00 \$5,760.00	\$0 \$0
g.	Other Utility for 7 new light poles, 14 new flood lights, and 12 new street lights for 1 year Total Other	\$3,338.67 \$3,338.67	\$0 \$0
h.	Total Direct Costs (sum of a - h)	\$18,047.47	\$0

#### TAB 3: BUDGET NARRATIVE = PROGRAM EVALUATION

The Chickasaw Housing Authority will contract with a consultant to evaluate its Public Housing Drug Elimination Program. The Housing Authority will also comply with HUD requirements of yearly resident surveys.

REQUESTED AMOUNT: \$3,500.00 Total

a.	Personnel No items Total Personnel	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
b.	Fringe Benefits No items Total Fringe Benefits	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
С.	Travel and Training No items Total Travel	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
d.	Equipment No items Total Equipment	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
е.	Supplies No items Total Supplies	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
f.	Contractual PHDEP evaluation consultant and residents surveys Total Contractual	\$3,500 \$3,500	\$0 \$0
g.	Other No items Total Other	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
h.	Total Direct Costs (sum of a - h)	\$3,500	\$0

TAB 4: ACTIVITY TIMETABLE

AC'	<u> TIVITY</u>	ANTICIPATED DURATION	ANTICIPATED START	ANTICIPATED FINISH
Se	curity:			
1.	Police Contract \$29,414.59	365 days	1/1/2001	12/31/2001
2.	Police Equipment \$2,397.94	N/A	1/1/2000	N/A
Ph	ysical Improvements:			
1.	Security Lighting \$18,047.47	N/A	1/1/2000	N/A
Dri	ug Prevention:			
1.	Computer Equipment for Computer Las	N/A b	1/1/2000	N/A
2.	Activity Programs - swimming, footbe baseball, basketball cheerleading, softba T-ball, soccer \$4,500	all,	1/1/2001	12/31/2001
3.	Education Programs & Anti-Drug Education \$2,500	365 days	1/1/2001	12/31/2001

#### Other:

1. Evaluation by Consultant N/A N/A N/A & Resident Surveys \$3,500

Total: \$63,360 Total: 1,095 days of programming

#### **ACTIVITY MILESTONES**

ACTIVITY	TENTATIVE DATE	MILESTONE
Security -	1/31/2000	Bid out and acquire police equipment
	12/1/2000	Execute Police reimbursement contract
Physical	2/15/2000	10 man atmost lights armined through
Improvements -	2/15/2000	12 new street lights acquired through the City of Chickasaw
	3/1/2000	Bid out/acquire lighted addresses and contract installation of lights
	3/1/2000	7 new light poles and 14 new flood lights
	6/1/2000	Installation of address lights completed
Drug Prevention -	1/31/2000	Bid out/acquire computer equipment
	1/1/2001	Computer/tutoring classes begin

	2/1/2001	City league basketball program begins
	4/1/2001	City league baseball/softball/T-ball leagues begin
	6/1/2001	City swimming program begins
	9/1/2001	City football/soccer/cheerleading leagues begin
Other -	11/15/2000	PHDEP Resident Surveys completed
	1/15/2001	Consultant evaluation of PHDEP

#### TAB 5: DESCRIPTION OF PARTNERS

#### THE CITY OF CHICKASAW/CHICKASAW POLICE DEPARTMENT

The City of Chickasaw and the Chickasaw Police Department will be the two key agencies assisting the Chickasaw Housing Authority with its proposed programs. Several local officials and local city departments have been actively involved in the development of the proposed programs. The partnership and the leveraging of resources between the Public Housing Authority and the city agencies has been the major reason all our past and present programs have met with great success. It is anticipated that the same type of support and enthusiasm will be a driving force behind the success of our future programs. The community leaders that have participated in the development of our proposal will be involved in the implementation of these programs.

The Police Department has agreed to provide additional police protection to the Housing Authority if PHDEP funds are secured for reimbursement purposes. The Chief of Police and Mayor of Chickasaw have certified that the Chickasaw Housing Authority is currently receiving the same baseline services as the rest of the city. Chief Hollinghead has determined that the baseline services the Housing Authority receives per week consists of:

- 1. 4 hours of patrol services
- 2. 1 hour of criminal investigation
- 3. 1 hour of arrests and processing
- 4. 1 hour of court time

For a total of 7 hours per week

The proposed program will boost police services to 40 hours per week.

#### CITY OF CHICKASAW PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The City of Chickasaw Parks and Recreation Department has offered public housing residents use of their parks and public swimming pool.

The Recreation Department has also agreed to provide athletic/cultural arts programs for public housing residents. In return, the Housing Authority will reimburse the Recreation Department for the fees of the those residents that choose to participate in the organized activities.

#### MOBILE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

The Mobile County Department of Human Resources is offering job training courses for the residents through its JOBS program. A signed agreement of cooperation is in effect between the Department of Human Resources and the Chickasaw Housing Authority.

#### MOBILE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

The Mobile County School Board, specifically Clark Magnate School and Hamilton Elementary School, have agreed to assist the Housing Authority with its educational programs. Both schools have agreed to provide tutors, referral services, and educational programs.

#### CHICKASAW HOUSING AUTHORITY RESIDENT COUNCIL

The Chickasaw Housing Authority has a formally recognized resident council which was consulted about the needs of their community. The Resident Council is in agreement that increased police protection and organized drug prevention programs for the children living in the public housing units are a necessity. The Resident Council will continue to be involved in the monitoring and implementation of the Drug Elimination programs.

#### TAB 6: SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ACTIVITIES

**SECURITY -** The Chickasaw Housing Authority proposes to contract full-time police protection, through the City of Chickasaw Police Department, for its community. Funding of Chickasaw Housing Authority's drug prevention program will provide one hundred (100) percent of the salary for one (1) part-time officer for one year. In return for providing the salary for an additional police officer, the Chickasaw Police Department will guarantee that the public housing sites will be patrolled for a minimum of Forty (40)

hours per week, be provided with police background investigations, and will be provided with crime statistics. The city has agreed to provide the officer with the standard equipment and provide a patrol car. In addition, PHDEP money has been budgeted to provide the officer with a computer and some surveillance equipment that will help facilitate his duties at the Housing Authority.

DRUG PREVENTION - Through the 1999 PHDEP grant, the Chickasaw Public Housing Authority will provide a year-long activity program in conjunction with the Chickasaw City Recreation Department. The organized activities available include swimming lessons and passes to the public pool in Chickasaw, football, baseball, basketball, cheerleading, girls softball, T-ball, soccer, summer camp, and the Civitan Club Beauty Pageant. An adult and youth computer education program will be offered in the computer lab that has been set up in the Housing Authority community room. The Mobile County School System will work closely with the Chickasaw Housing Resident Relations Manager in the coordination of this program and a certified teacher will be contracted to provide tutorial services. Drug Awareness classes will be provided with the help of the Police Department and the Mobile County School System throughout the year.

PHYSICAL IMPROVEMENTS TO ENHANCE SECURITY - The Chickasaw Housing Authority has allocated funds in this application for additional security lighting and street lighting that will be placed in unlit areas around the Chickasaw Housing Authority property. Funding will be available for 12 new street lights and 14 new flood lights. In addition, extra apartment lighting will be added to the outside of each unit to enhance the security of the individual units and to facilitate easier location of a specific unit if emergency personnel responds to a call for help.

**OTHER -** The Chickasaw Housing Authority will contract with a consultant to evaluate its Public Housing Drug Elimination Programs. The Housing Authority will also comply with HUD requirements of yearly resident surveys.

## **Public Housing Drug Elimination Program Plan**

Note:	THIS PHDEP Plan	template (HU	D 50075-PHDEP	Plan) is to be	completed in	accordance	with Instructions	located in
applica	able PIH Notices.							

#### **Annual PHDEP Plan Table of Contents:**

- 1. General Information/History
- 2. PHDEP Plan Goals/Budget
- 3. Milestones
- 4. Certifications

#### **Section 1: General Information/History**

- A. Amount of PHDEP Grant \$ 63,360
- B. Eligibility type (Indicate with an "x") N1\_\_\_\_\_ N2\_\_\_ R\_X\_
- C. FFY in which funding is requested <u>2000</u>
- D. Executive Summary of Annual PHDEP Plan

In the space below, provide a brief overview of the PHDEP Plan, including highlights of major initiatives or activities undertaken. It may include a description of the expected outcomes. The summary must not be more than five (5) sentences long

Chickasaw Housing Authority Drug Elimination Program - The Chickasaw Housing Authority plans to provide:

- 1. safe and secure neighborhoods for all residents;
- 2. opportunities for residents to develop life skills that will enable them to lead productive lives;
- 3. activities and recreation for youth that will provide an alternative to criminal/drug activity.

#### E. Target Areas

Complete the following table by indicating each PHDEP Target Area (development or site where activities will be conducted), the total number of

units in each PHDEP Target Area, and the total number of (Name of development(s) or site)	individuals expected to part fotal # of Units Within the PHDEP Target Area(s)	icipate in PHDEP spons Total Population to be Served within the PHDEP Target Area(s)	ored activities in each Ta
AL166-02 (Family Project)	218	392	
AL166-03 (Elderly Project)	70	66	

#### F. Duration of Program

Indicate the duration (number of months funds will be required) of the PHDEP Program	m proposed under this Pl	an (plac	ce an "x" to	indicate the length
of program Months For "Other indentify the # of months Months	24 Months_	X	Other _	

### **G. PHDEP Program History**

Indicate each FY that funding has been received under the PHDEP Program and provide amount of funding received.

If previously funded programs <u>have not</u> been closed out at the time of this submission, indicate the fund balance and anticipated completion date. For Grant extensions received, place "GE" in column or "W" for waivers.

Fiscal Year of PHDI	EP Gran	t# Fund	<b>Balance as Grant</b>	Antic	ipated
Funding	Funding		of Date of this	<b>Extensions</b>	Completion
	Received		Submission	or Waivers	Date
FY 1998	\$86,400	AL09DEP-1660198	\$40,158		12/31/2000
FY 1999	\$63,360	AL09DEP-1660199	\$58,320		12/31/2001

#### Section 2: PHDEP Plan Goals and Budget

#### A. PHDEP Plan Summary

In the space below, summarize the PHDEP strategy to address the needs of the target population/target area(s). Your summary should briefly identify: the broad goals and objectives, the role of plan partners, and your system or process for monitoring and evaluating PHDEP-funded activities.

This summary should not exceed 5-10 sentences. The Drug Elimination Program of the Housing Authority of the City of Chickasaw, Alabama will use a comprehensive sentences.

officer who will exclusively patrol the Housing Authority areas. An activity program that includes adult/youth education and youth athletics/cultural arts will be conducted year round. The physical security of the community will be enhanced with additional security lighting. This Drug Elimination Program will serve all residents of the Chickasaw Housing Authority.

#### **B. PHDEP Budget Summary**

Enter the total amount of PHDEP funding allocated to each line item.

#### FY 2000 PHDEP Budget Summary

Budget Line Item	Total Funding
9110 Reimbursement of Law Enforcement	
9120 Security Personnel	
9130 Employment of Investigators:	\$31,621
9140 Voluntary Tenant Patrol	
9150 Physical Improvements:	\$16,800
9160 Drug Prevention:	\$12,000
9170 Drug Intervention:	
9180 Drug Treatment	
9190 Other Program Costs:	\$2,939
Total PHDEP Funding	\$63,360

#### C. PHDEP Plan Goals and Activities

In the tables below, provide information on the PHDEP strategy summarized above by budget line item. Each goal and objective should be numbered sequentially for each budget line item (where applicable). Use as many rows as necessary to list proposed activities (additional rows may be inserted in the labeled applicable). Total PHDEP Funding: \$31,62 coed two sentences in any column. Tables for line items in which the PHA has no planned goals or activities may be deleted.

Goal(s)

To contract with the City of Chickasaw to provide above baseline police services in the Authority communities.

Objectives		To reduce crime/drug activity through an increased police presence and to improve resident/Police Department relations through community patrolling								
Proposed Activities	# of Person s Served	Target Population	Start Date	Expected Complete Date	PHDEP Funding	Other Funding (Amount/ Source)	Performance Indicators			
1. Contractual Agreement with the City of Chickasaw			1/02	12/02	\$31,621	\$0				
2.										
3.										

9120 - Security Personnel				Total PHDEP Funding: \$			
Goal(s) Objectives							
Proposed Activities	# of Person s Served	Target Population	Start Date	Expected Complete Date	PHDEP Funding	Other Funding (Amount /Source)	Performance Indicators
1.							
2.     3.							

9130 - Employment of Investigators				Total PHDEP Funding: \$			
Goal(s)							
Objectives							
Proposed Activities	# of Person s Served	Target Population	Start Date	Expected Complete Date	PHDEP Funding	Other Funding (Amount /Source)	Performance Indicators
1.							
2.							
3.							

9140 - Voluntary Tenant Patrol				Total PHDEP Funding: \$			
Goal(s)							
Objectives							
Proposed Activities	# of	Target	Start	Expected	PHDEP	Other	Performance Indicators

	Person	Population	Date	Complete Date	Funding	Funding (Amount	
	Served			Dute		/Source)	
1.							
2.							
3.							

9150 - Physical Improvements					Total PHDEP Funding: \$16,800				
Goal(s)	Provide a	additional lighting	in the Hou	using Authorit	y communiti	es.			
Objectives	Deter cri	minal activity and	facilitate i	mproved patro	ol monitoring	through the	provision of improved lighti		
Proposed Activities	# of Person s Served	Target Population	Start Date	Expected Complete Date	PHDEP Funding	Other Funding (Amount /Source)	Performance Indicators		
1. Security Lighting			1/01	12/03	\$16,800	\$0			
2.									
3.									

9160 - Drug Prevention				Total PHDEP Funding: \$12,000				
Goal(s)		Partner with other agencies to provide programs to assist residents to become more self-sufficient an activities to prevent adults and youth from becoming involved with drugs.					ne more self-sufficient and pr	ovid
Objectives		To provide educational, recreational, and cultural arts activities in a effort to prevent residents from becomi involved in drug/criminal activity.					ming	
Proposed Activities	# of Person s Served	Target Population	Start Date	Expected Complete Date	PHDEP Funding \$12,000	Other Funding (Amount /Source) \$0	Performance Indicators	
1. Recreational/Cultural Arts Activities	98	98	1/02	12/02				
2. Adult Educational Activities	18	360	1/02	12/02				
3. Youth Educational Activities	18	98	1/02	12/02				

9170 - Drug Intervention	Total PHDEP Funding: \$
Goal(s)	

Objectives							
Proposed Activities	# of Person s Served	Target Population	Start Date	Expected Complete Date	PHDEP Funding	Other Funding (Amount /Source)	Performance Indicators
1.							
2.							
3.							

9180 - Drug Treatment				Total PHDEP Funding: \$			
Goal(s) Objectives							
Proposed Activities	# of Person s Served	Target Population	Start Date	Expected Complete Date	PHDEP Funding	Other Funding (Amount /Source)	Performance Indicators
1.							
3.							

9190 - Other Program Costs				Total PHDEP Funds: \$2,939				
Goal(s)	Provide f	Provide funding for administrative/miscellaneous				needs of Drug Grant Program.		
Objectives	Complete and independent survey for 2000 PHDEP once annually and counsel with consultants improvements to the program.				nsel with consultants on poss			
Proposed Activities	# of Person s Served	Target Population	Start Date	Expected Complete Date	PHDEP Funding	Other Funding (Amount /Source) \$0	Performance Indicators	
1. Independent Survey			1/01	12/03				
2. Consultant			1/01	12/03				
3.								

#### **Section 3: Expenditure/Obligation Milestones**

Indicate by Budget Line Item and the Proposed Activity (based on the information contained in Section 2 PHDEP Plan Budget and Goals), the % of

funds that will be exp	nded (at least 25% of the conditions of the cond	ne total grant award) and	obligated (at least 50% obligation	of the total grant award	within 12 months of grar
execution.	of Total Grant	Funding Expended	of Total Grant	Funding Obligated	
	Funds By Activity	(sum of the	Funds by Activity	(sum of the	
	#	activities)	#	activities)	
e.g Budget Line	Activities 1, 3		Activity 2		
Item # 9120					
9110	Activity 1	0%	Activity 1	49.90%	
9120					
9130					
9140					
9150	Activity 1	13.26%	Activity 1	26.52%	
9160	Activity 2 & 3	4.73%	Activity 2 & 3	4.73%	
9170					
9180					
9190	Activity 1 & 2	4.64%	Activity 1 & 2	4.64%	
TOTAL		\$14,339 (22.36%)		\$54,360 (85.76%)	

#### **Section 4: Certifications**

A comprehensive certification of compliance with respect to the PHDEP Plan submission is included in the "PHA Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plan and Related Regulations."

### CHICKASAW HOUSING AUTHORITY PET POLICY AND AGREEMENT ADDENDUM TO DWELLING LEASE

The following rules are established in accordance with Federal Regulations Section 24, Part 942, to govern the keeping of pets in and on Federally assisted rental housing owned and operated by the Housing Authority of the City of Chickasaw, Alabama, for the elderly or elderly handicapped families living alone. The Chickasaw Housing Authority reserves the right to make reasonable changes to these rules and conditions as circumstances warrant and to notify each Tenant pet owner accordingly.

#### 1. RULES FOR PET OWNERSHIP:

Tenants having, or planning to have, pets must complete an "APPLICATION FOR PET OWNERSHIP PERMIT" and have their pet registered with the Chickasaw Housing Authority. Tenants must have an approved Pet Permit to keep an animal or other pets on or about the premises. A Pet Permit must be obtained before entry of any pet on the premises. This privilege may be revoked at any time, subject to the Housing Authority grievance procedure, if the animal becomes destructive, a nuisance, or a safety hazard to other Tenants, or if the Tenant fails to comply with the following rules:

- (1) No more than one domesticated pet will be allowed. It should be noted that no vicious or intimidating dogs or cats will be allowed.
- (2) Permitted pets are common household domesticated dogs, cats, caged birds, and fish in aquariums of no more than ten (10) gallons in size. No pet may be taller than 12 inches in height from floor to shoulder of animal, and no more than 30 pounds in weight (adult size).
- (3) All dogs and cats must be spayed or neutered and copy of evidence of such treatment by a licensed veterinarian must be kept in the Tenant files of this Authority. If such animals have offspring, Tenant will be held in violation of this rule.
- (4) All dogs and cats must be inoculated for distemper and rabies annually and copies of evidence of such treatment by a licensed veterinarian must be kept in the Tenant file of this Authority.
- (5) No pet may be kept by a Tenant of the Chickasaw Housing Authority in violation of state or county humane or health laws or local ordinances. In the event any state or local law or regulation governing the care and/or handling of pets shall conflict with these rules and regulations, the state or local law or regulation shall apply and take priority over these rules and regulations.
- (6) Dogs and cats shall remain inside a Tenant's unit. Whenever dogs or cats are taken outside, they must be properly restrained, or leashed, and directly controlled by a responsible adult. Birds must be confined to a cage at all times. Pets shall not be tied to any fixed object outside the dwelling unit, including, but not limited to, porches, walkways, parking lots, grassed areas, gas meters, wash line supports, garbage post supports or any other PHA property.
- (7) Pets of any kind shall not be permitted in project offices, project community buildings, maintenance shops or any public rooms at any time.
- (8) Pet-owning Tenants are to provide litter boxes for dog or cat wastes which are to be kept in the unit. Tenant will not be allowed to let waste accumulate and the tenant is responsible for properly disposing of dog or cat waste in plastic bags which are to be placed in other plastic garbage containers, which should be sealed or covered.
- (9) Tenants are responsible for promptly cleaning any droppings by their pet outside of the unit or on any other Housing Authority property. Such droppings are to be disposed of as stated in Paragraph (8) above.
- (10) Tenant shall take adequate precautions to eliminate any pet odors within or around the unit and maintain their unit in a sanitary condition at all times. Pet-owning Tenants will be responsible to other Tenants for the maintenance of a decent, safe and sanitary environment.
- (11) Tenant shall not permit any disturbance by their pet through loud barking, howling, biting, scratching, chirping or other activities which would interfere with the peaceful and quiet comfort of other Tenants.
- (12) Pet-owning Tenants must identify alternate custodians for their pet in the event of Tenant illness, death or other absence from unit and to provide a signed statement by the alternate custodian indicating their willingness to remove the pet from the premises and take supervision of such pet immediately if the pet is left unattended for 24 hours. If such alternate custodian of the pet refuses to carry out their responsibilities under their statement indicating such responsibilities, the Chickasaw Housing representatives may enter the premises to remove the pet and transfer it to the proper city or county authority or, if none are available within the City of Chickasaw, to have such pet placed in a facility that will provide care and shelter of the pet at the expense of the pet owner. The Chickasaw Housing Authority will not be responsible for the pet under any circumstances where pet owners have not made proper provision for pet care.

- (13) Tenant shall not alter their unit, front or back porch, or their unit area to create any enclosure for their pet.
- (14) The additional security deposit, as required under these rules and regulations for pet ownership, does not limit a Tenant's liability for property damage, cleaning, deodorizing, fumigation, defleaing, replacements and/or personal injuries which may result from the keeping of a pet. Payment for any damages, cleaning, replacements or any other actions listed above shall be due immediately upon demand by the Landlord.
- (15) Tenant shall pay a damage deposit of \$150.00 for a cat or dog but no deposit for fish or birds will be required. This deposit shall be paid in advance of moving into the premises or on the date of possession of such pet by the Tenant. This deposit is refundable if no damage is done as verified by the Chickasaw Housing Authority after Tenant moves out or after the Tenant disposes of the pet.
- (16) Each pet-owning Tenant who applies for a Pet Ownership Permit shall be responsible for the presentation of true and accurate information to which they affix their signature. Anyone using fraud or deception to obtain a Pet Permit will be penalized in accordance with the penalties under Section 2 which follows.
- (17) Unusual expenses for keeping and maintaining a pet will in no way be considered an excuse for non-payment of rent.
- (18) Any pet owner shall be subject to a \$10.00 charge if it becomes necessary for CHA personnel to remove any pet waste dropped by their respective pet.
- (19) Tenant is prohibited from owning or keeping any pet temporarily in the Tenant unit or on the Project premises. Tenant is prohibited from feeding, housing or harboring stray animals. The feeding of a stray animal shall constitute temporary keeping of an animal and a violation of these rules and regulations may lead to cancellation of lease.
- (20) In addition to other inspections permitted under the Tenant lease or other provisions of these rules and regulations, the Landlord may, after notice to the Tenant, and during reasonable hours, enter and inspect the Tenant unit in the event Landlord has reason to believe that the conduct or condition of a pet constitutes a violation of these rules and regulations, or is a nuisance or a threat to the health and safety of the occupants of the Project.
- (21) Maintenance Department employees will not be allowed to enter an apartment with a cat or dog therein unless the owner is present to restrain the animal.
- (22) If the Tenant carries a renter's insurance policy, Tenant is required to provide the name of the insurance company, or agent, to the Chickasaw Housing Authority. While not required by regulations of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, it would be wise to obtain such an insurance policy for self protection against possible lawsuits as a result of action by your pet.

# (23) EMERGENCIES: EMERGENCY ENTRY OF UNIT WHERE PRIOR NOTICE WILL NOT BE GIVEN:

- (A) REMOVAL OF DANGEROUS OR ILL PETS: Landlord or his agent may enter the Tenant unit, if necessary, to remove a pet that is, or has become, vicious, displays symptoms of illness, or demonstrates other behavior which may constitute an immediate threat to the health or safety of any person in the Project in the opinion of a responsible staff person of the Chickasaw Housing Authority.
- (B) REMOVAL OF PET FOR PROTECTION OF UNIT: <u>If Tenant cannot and alternate custodian will not</u>, Landlord or his agent may enter the Tenant unit, if necessary, to remove a pet for the safety of the unit if Tenant is threatened by death, incapacity, absence, or other factors that render the Tenant unable to care for the pet or unit.

In the event a pet is removed under Section 1. Paragraph 23 (A) or (B) above, Landlord may place the pet in a facility which will provide care and shelter until Tenant or alternate custodian is able to assume responsibility for the pet. The cost of the animal care facility shall be the responsibility of and borne by the Tenant or alternate custodian.

# 2. <u>PENALTIES</u>:

Pet-owning Tenants who violate any of the rules listed above will be subject to the requirements to remove the pet within ten (10) days of notice by First Class Mail by the Chickasaw Housing Authority or sooner if conditions and circumstances warrants. Where a pet-owning Tenant has given fraudulent or deceptive information in applying for a Pet Permit, or where a pet-owning Tenant refuses to cooperate with the rules and regulations of this Pet Policy, their lease will be canceled in accordance with the lease agreement. In all such cases a hearing will be granted if requested in writing in accordance with the Hearing and Grievance Procedure as posted on your Project bulletin board.

### 3. <u>FAILURE TO PERFORM</u>:

The failure of the Landlord to insist upon the strict performance of the rules and regulations of the Pet Policy shall constitute

or be construed as a waiver of relinquishment of the Chickasaw Housing Authority's rights thereafter to enforce any such rules and regulations herein listed and the same shall continue in full force and effect.

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Print Name of Pet Owner

### **APPLICATION FOR PET OWNERSHIP PERMIT**

I hereby make application for a written **PET PERMIT** to keep the following described pet in my dwelling unit, as specifically authorized under the rules and regulations set forth herein. It is understood that no substitutions are allowed and no other shall be permitted on the premises.

Please circle the type of pet described herein: DOG (NO OTHER TYPE	CAT CAGED BIRD OF PETS WILL BE PERMITTED	FISH )
BREED:	COLOR:	AGE:
The following information is necessary for a dog or a co	at:	
SIZE OF PET:(Number of inches from floor to pet's shoulder.)	WEIGHT OF PET:	
DATE OF LAST RABIES SHOT:	_ DATE OF LAST DISTE	EMPER SHOT:
DATE WHEN PET WAS SPAYED OR NEUTEREI	D:	
DESCRIPTION OF ANY KNOWN DEFORMITIE	S:	
All evidence of the above listed treatment by a licensed Housing Authority for inclusion in the file of the Tenant.		ed and copies made by the Chickasaw
NAME OF PET:	IS PET HOUSE	BROKEN?
I understand that I must take full responsibility for the public who sumit	resides at	
owned by the Chickasaw Housing Authority, at any reasons of illness, death, disability or absence from the	time the pet owner becomes unit. I also understand that I r	unable to maintain said pet through
I HAVE RECEIVED A COPY OF THE RULE CHICKASAW HOUSING AUTHORITY AND REGULATIONS. I HEREBY DECLARE THA APPLICATION FOR PET OWNERSHIP PERMIT THESE FACTS ARE NOT TRUE AND CORTERMINATED AND I WILL BE REQUIRED TO RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE PET ACCORDANCE WITH THE LEASE AGREEMENT.	ES AND REGULATIONS HAVE READ AND UND T THE FACTS AND IN ARE TRUE AND CORRECT RECT, THE PET PERMIT D REMOVE THE PET IN F	ERSTAND THESE RULES AND IFORMATION GIVEN IN THIS IF AND I UNDERSTAND THAT, IF WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY FULL COOPERATION WITH THE
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have executed this A	Application for Pet Ownership	Permit and this Alternate Custodian
provision on this day of		at Chickasaw, Alabama.

Signature of Pet Owner

Witness
Phone Number of Pet Owner
Print Name of Alternate Custodian
Signature of Alternate Custodian
Address of Alternate Custodian

Phone Number of Alternate Custodian